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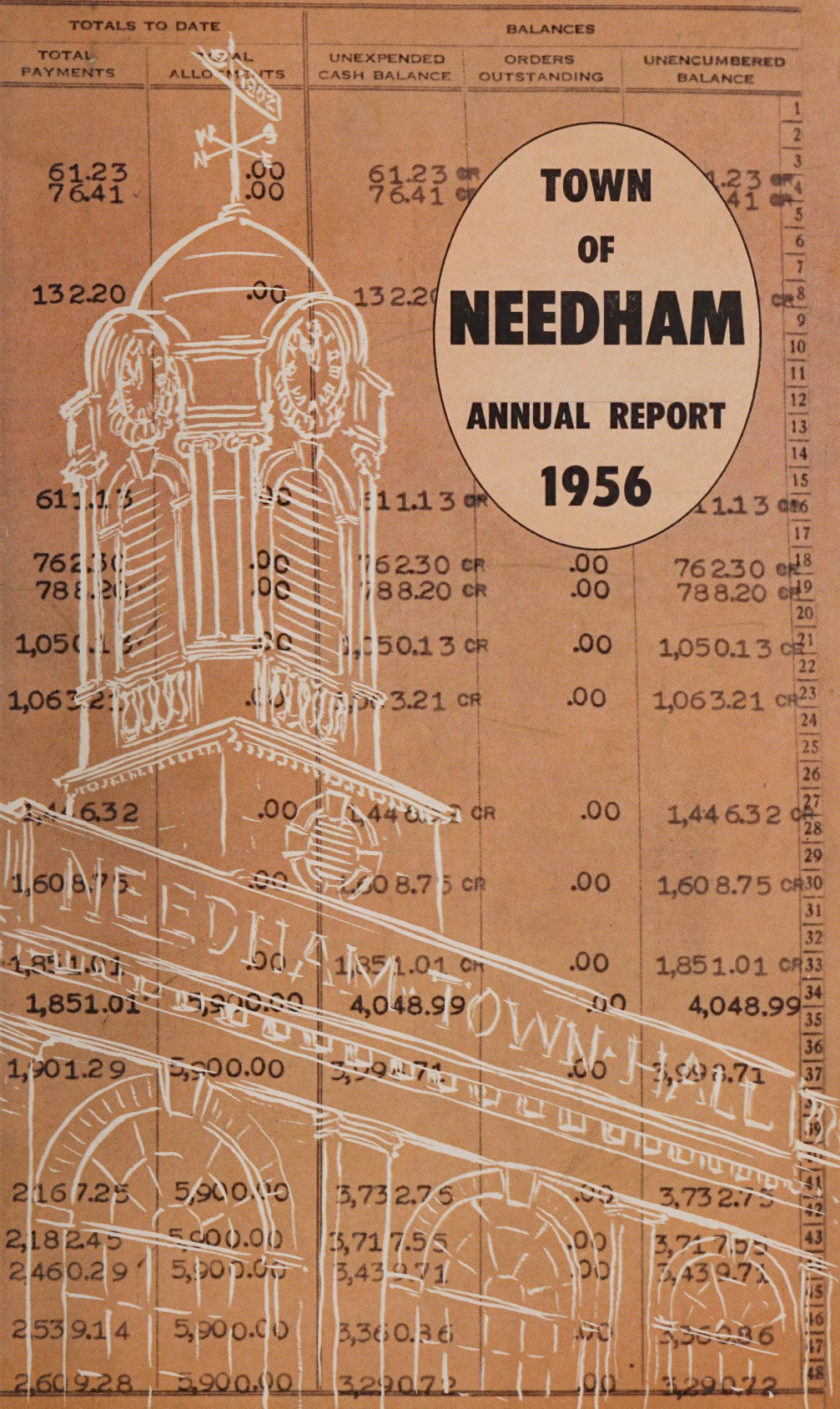
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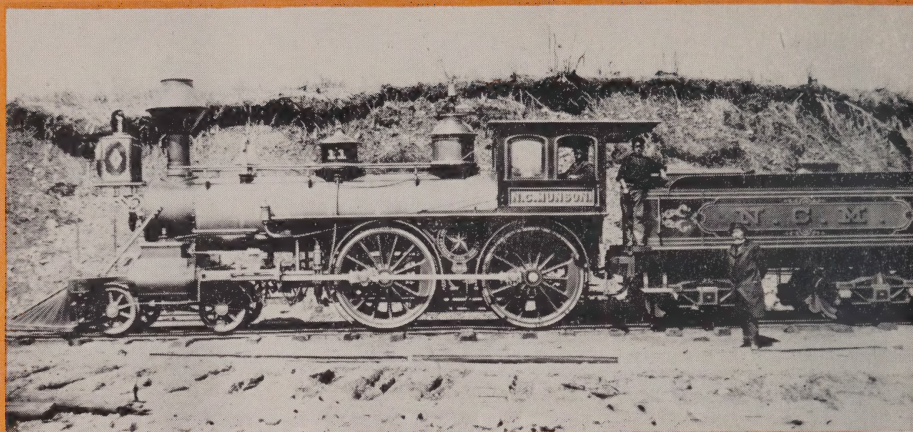
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1,851.01	5,900.00	4,048.99	.00	4,048.99
1,901.29	5,900.00	3,998.71	.00	3,998.71
2,167.25	5,900.00	3,732.75	.00	3,732.75
2,182.45	5,900.00	3,717.55	.00	3,717.55
2,460.29	5,900.00	3,439.71	.00	3,439.71
2,539.14	5,900.00	3,360.86	.00	3,360.86
2,609.28	5,900.00	3,290.72	.00	3,290.72

**TOWN
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Engine used by Mr. Myron C. Munson to transport fill to Back Bay, 1860-1870.



Great Plain Avenue looking west from Needham railroad station, 1885.



Corner of Dedham Avenue and Great Plain Avenue prior to 1885. Millinery, Hattie Ingalls

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ANNUAL REPORT



*Under direction of your Board of Selectmen
a Town Report Committee has endeavored to present
in readable form, the essential facts with regard
to the activities of your Town Government
during the year 1956*

Of General Interest

Needham was incorporated as a Town on November 5, 1711.

Situation: About 10 miles southwest of Boston. Geodetic position of Town Hall: Latitude $42^{\circ}-16'-51.568''$, Longitude $71^{\circ}-14'-13.048''$.

Population: 21,560 (1955 State Census).

Area: Approximately 12.75 square miles.

Elevation: 85 feet above sea level at Rosemary Meadows, 180 feet at Needham Square and 300 feet in the Birds Hill section.

Assessed Valuation: \$56,618,671.00, Real Estate only—\$2,497,150.00, Personal Property. Total, \$59,115,821.00.

Tax Rate: \$51.00.

Town Hall: Built in 1902. Frank J. Dermody, custodian. Phone NEedham 3-51

Offices Open Tuesday Evening: Offices of Selectmen, Assessors, Town Clerk, Planning Board and Board of Appeals.

Probate Court: (for returning cases) Dedham: First, Third and Fifth Wednesday except August. Third Wednesday in August. Quincy, Second Wednesday. Fourth Monday of every month, except August. Brookline, Fourth Wednesday of every month, except August.

Senators in Congress: Leverett Saltonstall and John F. Kennedy.

State Senator: Leslie B. Cutler of Needham (Second Norfolk District).

Representatives in Congress: Richard B. Wigglesworth of Milton (Thirteenth Congressional District).

Representatives in General Court: (For 1957) Daniel H. Rider of Needham, H. E. Rosen of Dedham (Sixth Norfolk District).

Member of Governor's Council: Charles J. Gabriel (Second Councillor District).

Qualifications for Registration as Voters: Must be 21 years of age, American born or fully naturalized, and have resided in Massachusetts one year and Needham 3 months. Registration Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Tuesday evenings, at the office of the Town Clerk. Special evening Sessions of Registration held preceding elections.

Absentee Voting: State, National and Town Elections.

Dog Licenses: All dog licenses expire March 31st. A dog should be licensed three months old. Fees: Male \$2 — Female \$5 — Spayed \$2.

Tax Bills: Due and payable July 1st. Interest will be added according to law October 1st on bills unpaid after November 1st. Poll, motor excise and other bills are due thirty days from date of issuance.

Board of Health: Householdors shall report to the Board of Health all cases of communicable diseases, unless a physician is in attendance.

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FEATURE STORY:

The Fiscal Wheels . . .

Handling Needham's fiscal affairs is a team effort. In one way or another it involves every resident. Certainly, the way in which the town's funds are collected and spent affects everyone who lives here.

Principal players on the team, after the taxpayers, are the Town Meeting members, the Finance Committee, Personnel Board, Assessors, the Treasurer and Tax Collector, and the Town Accountant.

Let's look for a moment at the general picture before we begin to set out the roles of the office holders. Needham is a 13-square-mile land area, much of which has been built a complex of varied structures. The greater share of its land in use is occupied by residences. It has factories, stores, warehouses, utilities buildings, hospital, schools, cemetery, playgrounds, public clubs, churches—most of the many types of buildings and land uses demanded by a modern society. The value of all this, according to a conservative estimate, exceeds \$120,000,000.

Properties against which real estate taxes are charged were assessed at \$56,618,671 in 1956.

Using these structures and creating these values through their use, there are approximately 23,000 people.

The story of every town is a story of people, their desires, their accomplishments, the way in which those desires and accomplishments are reflected in shaping the town's character. Behind the somewhat less than glamorous columns of figures in the town accountant's ledgers, back of the tax bills, the annual tax rate, is a real key to the sort of people who make up the community. Because these figures demonstrate the willingness to pay of a people who have the right to decide for themselves how much they will suffer in taxation, they take on an added significance. They indicate whether or not the people who pay the bills want and expect efficient town services, demand good schools and competent teachers, what sort of homes they live in, whether they have leisure time for community recreation, whether their hometown atmosphere is basically industrial, residential or a balance of these, and a host of other clues to the character of the town's residents.

ROLE OF ASSESSORS

The columns of figures in the account books of the town really start with the assessors. These men—in 1956 they were Arthur H. Godfrey, A. St. John Holt, David Murdoch until his death in May, and Robert F. Day who succeeded him—appointed to Mr. Murdoch's term—establish the values upon which the greater share of the town's revenue rests.

Through visits to home sites and industrial locations, consideration of owners' plans and specifications, and appraisal of the many factors which influence property worth they establish an assessment value for every structure in the community. In viewing the property, the assessors take into account location, size of structure, quality of building materials used and the relationship of the unit to the valuations already established for surrounding properties.

This phase of their work is at its height from the end of the summer building season to a few weeks before Town Meeting. From the facts determined in their investigations, they arrive at a total real estate valuation for the whole town.

With this figure as a basic platform, along with estimates of town receipts from such sources as state taxes, hospital charges, license fees, borrowings, warrants, auto excises, betterment charges and the numerous other forms of municipal income, it becomes possible for the Finance Committee to project the town's income may be expected to be if the tax rate remains unchanged.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee is an advisory board only. It suggests to the citizens how the town's money should be spent. In itself it makes no appropriation except as administrator of the town reserve fund. In 1956 the committee consisted of nine men. Robert W. Cherry was chairman and his fellow members were: Charles E. Downe, Robert W. Jensen, Eben F. Smith, J. H. Britton, Frederick O. W. Muzi, Frank L. Bridges, John Wallace and Arthur Dysart, Jr. Aiding them as a salaried executive secretary was C. Wilfrykberg.

In essence, the task of the Finance Committee is to fit the town's outgoing income. Every money spending agency of the town submits to the Finance Committee an annual budget estimate. These estimates are scrutinized fully, conferences with department heads are held and estimates trimmed or expanded as need and the business opinions of the committee members may dictate.

Every special committee which is involved in a study which may result in expenditure of town funds is consulted by the Finance Committee, also. In combination the approved departmental estimates and those special project estimates which are given Finance Committee approval become the budget presented at Town Meeting.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

In one area, salaries of municipal employees, another agency joins in the advisory task. This is the Personnel Committee which establishes job classifications and recommends wage scales for all departments except the schools.

and Glover Memorial Hospital. The Finance Committee may or may not agree with salary rates as recommended by the Personnel board. It will use them as a basis for forming its own salary item recommendations within the budget, adjusting where it feels change may be necessary.

Members of the Personnel Committee during 1956 were: John K. Berry, Chairman, Harrison D. Schloerb, Leonard D'Addessio, George W. Bradley and Henry Grieve.

Before the annual or special town meetings, the Finance Committee reports to the voters its opinion upon the financial sense of every question coming for an appropriation. Occasionally it also takes a position upon policy matters if these seem to indicate that costs will eventually result.

At Town Meeting, the chairman and members of the Finance Committee, who have studied individual questions amplify the committee position through their remarks on the floor of the meeting.

With the advice of the Finance Committee and the guidance or entrance of departments and special project committees before them, the town meeting members are in position to appropriate or withhold funds. Theirs is the ultimate decision as to how much the town will spend in any year.

After town meeting action has established appropriations, the fiscal officer bounces back to the assessors who must then determine a real estate and personal property tax rate which, when combined with the other income of the town, will yield the amount spent by the town meeting.

Some of these other income sources are interesting. Take automobile excise taxes for example. They are levied at a rate achieved by averaging the real estate tax rates of all the cities and towns in the Commonwealth. The funds realized from this tax stay in the towns which collect it. Needham's income from automobile excises in 1956 was more than \$300,000. Without this source of income, the tax on homes, industry, and personal property would have been \$5 per thousand higher.

TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR

The basis for a town treasury having been established, the role of the Treasurer and Tax Collector becomes important. In Needham the two functions are fulfilled by one office holder. In this dual job since 1942 has been Arnold Mackintosh, in private life a banker. He is assisted by a staff of clerks.

All monies collected or expended by the town pass through the treasurer's hands. As tax collector he and his staff prepare the various types of tax bills and assume responsibility for collection. Needham people, by the way, have an outstanding record for meeting their tax obligations. Before the end of 1956, for example, the collector's office could report that 98.76% of the money due the town from real estate taxes had been paid. Here, again, is another indication of how a simple figure reveals the character of a town.

The treasurer makes the borrowings authorized by the Town Meeting.

obtains bids from financial houses on town bond offerings and places the bids to the town's best advantage. A list of more than 200 banks and broker-houses is circularized when town bonds are offered.

Town operating funds are kept in three bank accounts. Temporary surpluses are placed in short term investments so that they may earn interest rather than remain static. Allowable forms of investment of this nature are prescribed by the Massachusetts Legislature. At the end of 1956 the town had \$2,000,000 invested in United States Treasury bills. This wasn't "extra money" which the town was just keeping around for a "rainy day." Most of it went into the treasury as the result of borrowings for the purpose of building a junior high school now under construction. It will be paid out over a period of months. In the meantime, rather than let the money remain in a borrowing account and earn nothing, it is better business to invest it for short periods so that the earnings from the investments can reduce the cost of borrowing the money.

Cost of borrowing is a major item in the budget these days, too. The town budget for 1956 contained items amounting to more than \$100,000 for interest alone. At the end of 1956 Needham was in debt to the extent of more than a million dollars.

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Upstairs in the town Hall is the office which accounts for all of the town's transactions. Melville W. Grant, a veteran of 23 years in the town service, presides over this office and is assisted by a staff of 3. Using up-to-date accounting machines, these people record thousands of items every year.

Municipal accountancy is a field in itself and a field for which there are handbooks. Many of the procedures in use here were devised by Mr. Grant or his predecessors.

Following one item through the steps of payment and accounting offers a means of viewing several offices at work. Assume that the public works department has ordered a carload of salt for mixing with the sand put on highways in icy weather. The bill comes to the office of Public Works Superintendent Chester C. Hollis. He certifies to the facts that the material has been delivered and that the price is proper. The bill then goes to the accounting office where Mr. Grant's people check it against the department funds on hand to ascertain whether it has been properly classified within the department's individual accounting setup. Each town department receives an annual appropriation which is in turn divided into authorized expenditure accounts such as salaries, maintenance, supplies, equipment, travel and others.

Once approved by the accountant's office, the bill is placed with other approved bills on a schedule of departmental expenditures for the week called a warrant. This goes to the Selectmen. They approve payment and the entire warrant goes to the treasurer for payment. Checks for the various vendors

are made out and sent to them by the treasurer's office. Paid bills are returned to the accounting department for additional processing and filing.

Payroll vouchers are submitted from the departments to the accountant who checks the deductions for withholding taxes, pension accounts and insurance, and makes up warrants for payment.

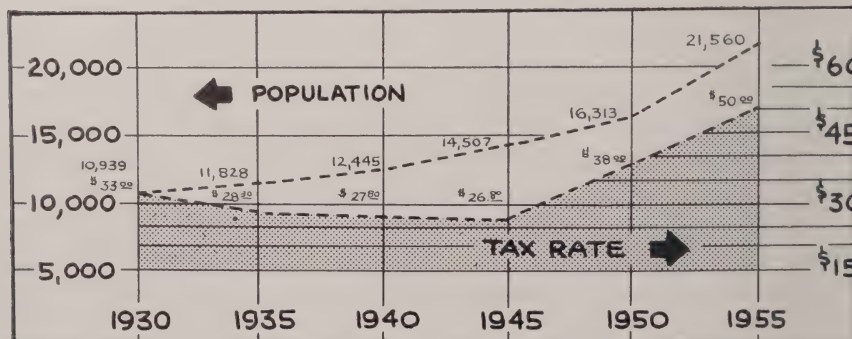
Each month department heads are advised of the balances left in their appropriations and they, in turn, check out their figures and report back to the accountant any differences.

Three forms of basic annual reports are prepared by the accounting office. A digest is set up for inclusion in the Town Report as shown on Pages 64-65. Also prepared is a detailed report which becomes a part of the town archives. The third accounting is made to the State Division of Accounts. The town office enters the town financial picture in a watchdog capacity. One of its duties is to protect the towns against financial irresponsibility through its power to limit borrowings, and another is the preparation of statistical reports of use to government agencies, research groups and businesses.

In the decade from 1946 to 1956, Needham's governmental expenditures have risen from $1\frac{1}{3}$ million dollars to nearly five million and may top that figure in 1957. Establishing fiscal policy for the town and putting that policy into practice is a major task, yet it is one of the best bargains the taxpayer gets.

Cost of general town administration averages only a trifle more than one per cent of the annual budget. Salaries of the professional people in the offices of the Assessors, Town Accountant, and Treasurer total only a small fraction of that amount while Finance Committee, Personnel Board and Town Meeting members are unpaid.

When next you pay your tax bill, you can pay it with the realization that its computation was no haphazard process, and that it will be spent as wisely and well as your neighbors know how to do.



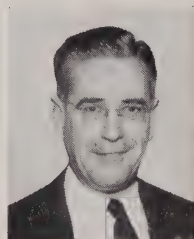
Board of Selectmen



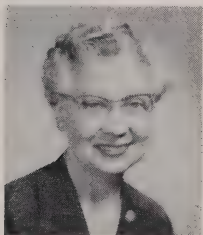
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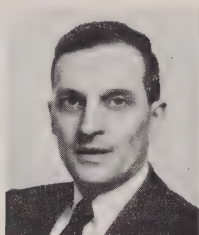
E. J. STEWART



P. F. FOSS



M. F. KEITH



C. H. WERTHEIM

EVERETT C. CROSS, *Chairman*
(1958)

PHILIP F. FOSS, *Vice Chairman*
(1958)

MARIAN F. KEITH, *Secretary*
(1957)

EDWARD J. STEWART
(1957)

CLARKE H. WERTHEIM
(1959)

	<i>Employees</i>	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Expenditures</i>
1929	1	\$2,300.	\$2,293.
1947	1	3,933.	3,927.
1954	1	6,619.	6,233.
1955	1	6,920.	6,219.
1956	1	8,080.	7,767.

Your Board of Selectmen held 47 regular meetings and 3 special meetings during the year 1956. This was the year the Town Meeting voted to increase the number of Selectmen from three to five, so members were elected for one, two and three year terms. In 1957 and thereafter, all Selectmen will again be elected for three year terms.

SCHOOLS

In November your Board, representing the Town, accepted the Joel Eliot School from the building committee, subsequently turning it over to the school committee for their trusteeship. This well equipped, modern, four room structure replaces the original four room wooden building which has served the town for eighty-eight years. It is interesting to note that the central portion of the old building, built in 1869, cost the Town \$6,600 and two wings were added in 1908 at an additional cost of \$10,000.

DEBT

Of added interest to the townspeople is that since 1951 the Town has provided funds for the construction of eight schools, including the William Pollard Junior High School in the Harris Woods. As of December 31, 1956 the Town's debt account amounted to \$6,599,000 of which \$5,185,000 represents borrowing for school construction purposes. Your Board estimates that the Town will be reimbursed to the extent of about 30% or \$1,550,000 from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, under their state aid program, prior to the maturities of our outstanding school debt. The balance of the Town's debt of \$1,414,000 represents borrowings since 1946 for sewer, storm drains, water construction and for hospital purposes. It is the opinion of your Board and Selectmen that the Town's debt is not excessive in view of our vigorous growth and that our credit standing ranks high among the cities and towns of the Commonwealth.

CONSTRUCTION

The declining trend in residential and commercial construction which occurred in 1955 was reversed in 1956 as the total volume of new construction was substantially above that of last year. Two hundred and ninety-five residential permits were issued for a total volume of \$4,481,000 representing an increase of \$238,000 or 5.6% over the previous year. Commercial construction amounts to \$2,823,000, an increase of 101% over the 1955 total of \$1,404,600. The total volume of all construction, including residential, commercial, additions and alterations, amounts to \$9,747,000 as compared with \$6,862,000 in 1955 which represents a gain of 42%. Residential construction should continue at the present level during 1957, but some contraction of commercial construction should be expected because of the decreasing availability of industrial land sites.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

The annual Town Meeting of 1955 appropriated \$180,000 for enlargement and extension of storm water drains. This appropriation, representing the largest sum expended for storm water drains for many years, was necessary to correct the condition which existed in two areas, the central portion of

vn adjacent to Manning Street and the Highland Avenue section in the nity of Memorial Park. Contracts were awarded during late summer and work on the Highland Avenue-Rosemary Street drain is nearing comple-. The Manning Street drain will continue through Bradford Street and Harris Woods area. The work at the Harris Woods section is progressing factorily but the major portion of this project will not be completed until y in 1957.

While the Town has been spared the costly and devastating hurricanes of past few years, there has been an unusual problem of snow removal and ling operation on our approximately 110 miles of streets, due to the un- pected heavy spring snows as well as much snow and ice in December. The inal appropriation of \$25,000 asked for at the annual Town Meeting was d to \$50,000 at the request of the Public Works Department. Still there a deficit of \$2,684 when the last vestiges of snow left us in April. An addi- al appropriation of \$13,000 was granted at the special Town Meeting of ober 1, 1956. This was to take care of the deficit and tide us over until the of the year. The several storms of December quickly depleted this fund your Selectmen were obliged to call two emergencies for \$3,500 and \$6,500 ectively, making an overall total of \$73,000 required for snow removal oper- is for the year 1956.

GROUP INSURANCE — WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION, SELF INSURANCE PROGRAM

The Town has completed its first anniversary of its Group Insurance Pro- n and it is interesting to note that 418 employees are carrying insurance in amount of \$759,000. The maximum amount of insurance that can be car- under the General Laws is \$2000 per employee.

Our Workmen's Compensation, Self Insurance Program, which was in- urated in 1955, continues to be an economical method in providing the datory protection for the Town's employees in the event of accidents. The al premium for Workmen's Compensation insurance is based on total y expenditures. Your Board estimates, that had the program not been olished, the Town's normal premium would have been in the vicinity of 000. Actual expenditures, under our Self-Insurance plan, including all as, cost of engineering and safety services, amounts to \$12,633, representing stimated savings of \$21,366 for the year 1956.

POST OFFICE

ur postal facilities have been far from adequate for some years and ap- ted committees have done a great deal of research before submitting re- in the past. Finally, after much correspondence, surveys and interviews, e unit post office, to service both Needham and Needham Heights, has

been approved and cleared with Washington. At the time of writing this report the postal authorities are about ready to present a plan of site and instruction to the town.

POLICEWOMEN

The employment of women to police the traffic at school crossing voted at the 1954 annual Town Meeting, has proved to be an economical efficient measure. The Town now employs ten policewomen, thus releasing the regular police for other duties.

TOWN BOUNDARIES

Every five years your Board of Selectmen is required to perambulate Town boundaries and check the markers. This interesting event fell in . . . Town officials from Dedham and Wellesley met with Needham officials made the rounds together, finding the markers all in order.



Hundreds of cars, their batteries dead and gasoline gone, were stranded on Route 128 during the mammoth March snow storms. Town agencies and citizens provided emergency housing and food to the motorists.

Town Clerk

MARIAN S. PETERSON, *Town Clerk*

	Employees	Budget	Expenditures
9	1	\$1,100.	\$1,099.
7	2	5,964.	5,445.
4	2	8,173.	8,053.
5	2	8,753.	8,609.
6	3	11,202.	10,313.



The Town Clerk's office was especially busy in 1956, with the Presidential election in November providing the greatest activity. Daily registration of voters was unusually heavy throughout the year. There were 543 absentee ballots cast in the November election, all of which were processed through this office. Of this number 117 were from those in the Armed Forces. Each state has its own laws regarding absentee voting. Massachusetts requires that the ballot be received by the Town Clerk on or before election night in order to be counted. Therefore an absentee voter should do his voting, before a notary public, as soon as he receives the ballot. He should then return it to the Town Clerk by mail, immediately. Unfortunately, at every election, some absentee ballots are received too late to be counted.

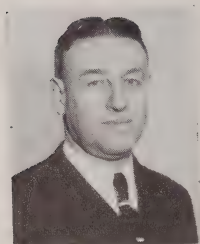
But in spite of important elections, the regular routine of the office had to be carried on. Births, deaths and marriages were entered on our records and transmitted to the State House. Many certified copies of these records were furnished to the public. The number of Personal Property Mortgages recorded increased from 418 in 1955 to 715 in 1956. There were 1915 dogs registered in Dedham licensed this year. Also, 1,158 hunting and fishing licenses were issued. 41 locations for Edison and Telephone Company poles were recorded, and the Oath of Office was administered to 214 elected and appointed Town Officers (including Special Police). The business of the Town required two sessions of the Annual Town Meeting, with a warrant of 82 articles, as well as two Special Town Meetings, one in January and the other in October.

The Town Clerk's office is open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, and, for your convenience, on Tuesday evenings between the hours of 7:30 and 9 p.m.

	1955	1956
Log Licenses	\$4,450.	\$4,545.
Hunting, fishing, trapping licenses	3,449.	3,561.
Miscellaneous	3,517.	4,388.

Board of Registrars

FRANCIS J. DONAHUE, *Chairman*
 HAROLD S. LOUDON MARY E. FITZGERALD
 MARIAN S. PETERSON, *Ex-Officio*



	Employees		Budget	Expenditure
	Perm.	Part Time		
1929	0	4	\$ 970.	\$ 73
1947	1	3	5,627.	5,32
1954	1	4	11,814.	11,47
1955	1	4	10,039.	8,55
1956	1	4	16,987.*	16,98

*Four elections were held in 1956.

Twenty assistant registrars of voters set out on January 2, 1956 to list inhabitants twenty years of age and upwards. When they had completed their work three weeks later, they had listed 14,461 persons.

On January 1, 1956 the books of registered voters contained the names of 10,598 eligible voters. When the registration books were closed on December 31, 1956 they contained the names of 12,878 voters. The voting strength of the six precincts on December 31, 1956 was as follows:

Precinct 1	1,526 voters	Precinct 4	2,437 voters
Precinct 2	1,940 voters	Precinct 5	2,388 voters
Precinct 3	2,209 voters	Precinct 6	2,378 voters

At the local Town election on March 5, 1956, 5408 citizens voted, or 62.8 per cent of those eligible to vote. At the presidential primary on April 24, 1956, 628 individuals voted, or .054 per cent of those eligible to vote. At the State primary on September 18, 1956, 4052 people voted or 33 per cent of the eligible voters. At the combined state and national election on November 6, 1956, 12,253 voters cast their ballots or 94.1 per cent of the total enrolled registered voters.

The year 1957 will see only one election, the local Town election. Sessions are held for the registering of voters before each election at publicly designated places and times. The Town Clerk's office is open for the registering of voters Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Tuesday evenings from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. Naturalized citizens must always have their naturalization papers with them when registering to vote. People who are unable to register at the public sessions because of reasons of health or confinement in a hospital or nursing home within the Town may make an appointment with the Town Clerk and the Registrars will call and register that individual.

Board of Assessors

ARTHUR H. GODFREY, *Principal Assessor*

DAVID MURDOCH

ROBERT F. DAY

A. STERLING HOLT, *Secretary*

<i>Employees</i>	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Expenditures</i>
1	\$ 9,100.	\$ 9,094.
2	14,232.	10,970.
3	17,650.	17,339.
4	19,435.	19,134.
4	21,170.	20,173.



In the year 1954 attention was called by the Board of Assessors to the postal tax value of the Needham Industrial Center. *The area previous to the change in zoning had a tax value of \$113,000. In 1956 the tax value of the industrial center was over \$4,800,000 and it is not totally developed. The year should show a tax increase of \$1,500,000 in this area. It seems fair to state a total tax value of over \$8,000,000 when the area is fully developed.* Bordering the industrial site is the so-called Newton water lands. If the town should see fit to rezone about 150 acres of these lands, the tax value would more than double the estimated \$8,000,000 for the present site.

In Memoriam

David Murdoch

AUGUST 11, 1901

MAY 18, 1956

In December of 1951 David Murdoch was appointed to the Board of Assessors. He served the Town conscientiously and well during his few years in office, and we deeply regret his loss.

RECAPITULATION — 1956

Appropriations (Voted by Town Meetings)	\$4,610,843.72
Pay Deficits 1952 and 1954	1,221.60
Assessments	87,583.99
City Tax and Hospital Assessments	101,659.44
Pay	50,013.48
Amount to be Raised	\$4,851,322.23

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

Town (All revenue derived from Water Department, Hospital, Motor Vehicle Excise, etc.)	\$1,039,805.59	
Income Tax (Collected by State and returned to Town)	157,382.96	
Corporation Tax (Collected by State, etc.)	112,187.91	
Meals Tax (Collected by State, etc.)	2,694.10	
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	\$1,312,070.56	
Available Funds (From Excess and Deficiency Account; Unexpended Balances from previous years)	509,572.09	
Overestimates of 1955 (State)	1,281.23	
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	\$ 510,853.32	\$1,822,923
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		\$3,028,398

\$3,028,398.35 to be raised on Poll, Personal and Real Estate Taxes (levied and collected by the Town)

Tax Rate	\$51.00 per \$1,000.00	
Poll Taxes, 6,739 at \$2.00 (levied against all males 20 years and older, with certain exceptions)	\$ 13,478.00	
Personal Property, \$2,497,150.00 x \$51.00 (Taxes levied against Personal Property)	127,354.65	
Real Estate \$56,618,671.00 x \$51.00 (Taxes levied against Real Estate)	2,887,552.22	
Fractional Gain	13.48	\$3,028,398
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SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS

Apportionments added to Taxes:

Sewer	\$ 38,217.49	
Sewer House Connections	9,991.21	
Sidewalks	689.02	
Street	20,799.77	
Water Liens added to Taxes	711.05	\$ 70,40
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Law Department

HENRY W. HARDY, *Town Counsel*



	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Expenditures</i>
1929	\$1,922.	\$1,922.
1947	2,900.	2,506.
1954	6,821.	6,816.
1955	5,300.	4,888.
1956	5,840.	5,677.

The work of the Legal Department proceeded in 1956 much as in prior years, though the volume and complexity of the Town's legal business is noticeably on the increase.

Each new school building project brings new problems on bidding procedure and contract interpretation. Sometimes, as was the case with the High School Addition, a project results in litigation. Much time was devoted during the year 1956 by the Building Committee for the High School Addition—by the town counsel—to the controversy between the Town and the general contractor. The general contractor brought suit against the Town for \$170,000.00, alleging extras over and above the contract and claiming the Town had improperly withheld payments due under the contract. The suit was tried, after two days of trial before a court-appointed master and after many hours of negotiations, by the payment of \$29,460.90 by the Town.

During the year, the Town Counsel has rendered opinions, both oral and written, to various Town officers, boards and committees. He has given advice and legal assistance to the School Committee on personnel problems. He has drafted bills for the General Court on town matters, pursuant to town meeting votes, and has prepared and approved contracts, bonds and deeds. He has appeared for the Board of Appeals in the Superior Court when its decisions have been appealed, and for the Assessors before the Appellate Tax Board on tax abatement cases. He has arranged for the acquisition of land by purchase or by eminent domain in accordance with Town meeting votes. He has defended two claims against the Town for injuries claimed to have resulted from obstructions in the public ways. As in previous years, he has been active in enforcing compliance by developers of their obligations under agreements with the Planning Board, and in making collections for the Glover Memorial Hospital and the Board of Public Welfare. He has assisted the Selectmen in the preparation of town meeting warrants and of motions under the warrant articles.

With counsel for Wellesley and Weston, the Town Counsel has collabora-

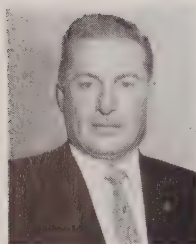
rated on a contract for the use of the services of the new public health officer by the three towns. With counsel for Wellesley he has discussed the mechanics of working out a proposed joint incineration project.

The law department assumed new dignity in 1956 when the Town Counsel was provided with a desk and a comfortable chair in the office of the Selectmen, whose regular meetings he attends.

There are now pending four appeals in the Appellate Tax Board, three appeals from the Board of Appeals in the Superior Court, and one land damage case arising from the taking for school purposes of land off Central Avenue.

Veterans' Service

PHILIP K. GREULING, *Agent*



	<i>Employees</i>	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>
1929	1 part time	\$ 1,649.*	\$ 1,570.
1947	2	24,115.	21,120.
1954	2	35,149.	34,900.
1955	2	35,400.	33,500.
1956	2	37,172.	36,470.

*Soldiers' Relief part of Public Welfare Department.

Financial assistance was granted to 45 cases representing 97 persons in 1956. A new Social Security law effecting all totally disabled Veterans who goes into effect July 1957 will help keep the cost of this Department at present level. This law entitles them to Social Security Benefits, regardless of their age. In addition, all women reaching the age of 62 are eligible for same benefits, either on their own employment or the employment of their deceased husbands. These new benefits will offset the growing medical expense connected with a number of cases on Veterans' Benefits in Needham. Each year this expense has increased appreciably, since a large percentage of the recipients of Veterans' Benefits are well beyond middle age.

This Department wishes to thank the many Needham Industries for their cooperation in giving employment to returning Veterans who are looking for work. As in previous years over 50% of all returning Veterans are furthering their education.

Police Department

THOMAS H. WELCH, *Chief*

	<i>Employees</i>	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Expenditures</i>
29	N.A.*	\$ 26,964.	\$ 26,676.
47	21	75,244.	73,110.
54	43	165,473.	165,051.
55	45	179,526.	175,979.
56	50	191,594.	102,066.

N.A.: Not Available.



A Police Department is not, in the true sense, a business concern, but in any way we are a business. Our business has no slack season, especially in a Town growing as rapidly as ours.

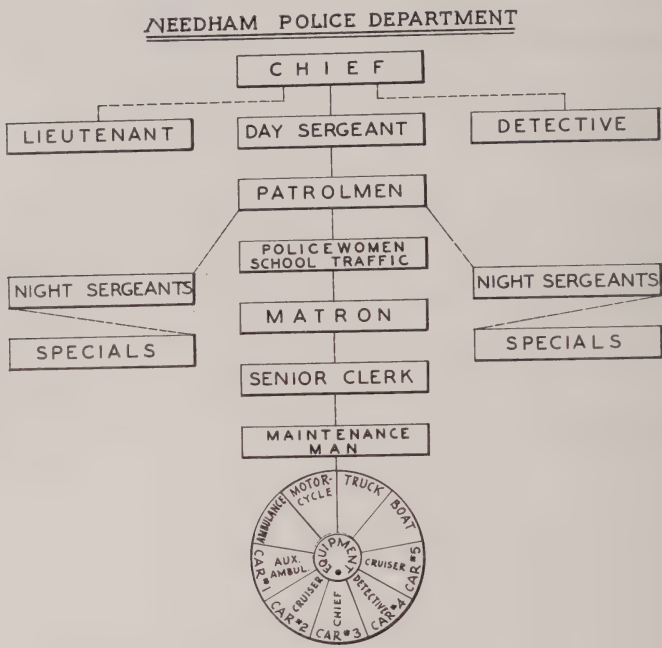
We continue to operate shorthanded. It should be pointed out that the Town has long since outgrown the present Department, and will continue to do so until we have more personnel and more equipment. Our personnel of women police officers, to assist the Department in covering school crossings, now numbers ten. We hope to add two more in the current year, as they are of comparable value to the Department. Again we extend our appreciation to the volunteer (non-paid) auxiliary police who assist us during the summer months and other times during the year, if needed.

Four more of our officers graduated from the State Police School in Framingham this year bringing the total to fifteen graduates. Four more will end this coming year.

The new Industrial Center, while bringing a large revenue to the Town, has added many new problems for the Department. Their many complicated and varied alarm systems, labor problems (strikes), and parking problems, to name only a few.

A law of 1693 required each town to elect two or more "fence viewers". At various times there were anywhere from 2 to 6 chosen by the town. Since 1867, the Selectmen have performed the duties of walking the town boundaries.

The early "center" of Needham was near the corner of Central Avenue and Nehoiden Street. With the arrival of the steam railroad in Needham in 1853, the center was diverted to its present location.



FACTS are FACTS. . . the year 1956:

Crimes against person	6
Crimes against property	27
Crimes against public order	360
Complaints made by citizens	3,598
(By mail, telephone and in person)	
Bicycles registered	815
(As of December 31, 1956, 8,710 bicycles registered in the town)	
Revolver permits issued	144
(To buy and to carry)	
Property damage accidents	291
Personal injury accidents	102
Fatal accidents	1
Ambulance runs	312
(Not including automobile accidents or emergencies)	
Arrests	323
Miles Department vehicles were operated	156,942
Vacant houses	1,531
Motor Vehicle violations reported to the Registry of Motor Vehicles for their action	500
Summons served for other cities and towns	450

Fire Department

RICHARD M. SALAMONE, *Chief*

	Employees		Budget	Expenditures
	Perm.	Call		
29	10	28	\$ 27,150.	\$ 26,564.
47	20	18	85,616.	84,221.
54	39	12	185,109.	183,759.
55	45	12	235,963.	232,663.
56	48	12	231,438.	221,823.



During the year 1956 the department responded to 579 calls. Mutual protection was carried on with the surrounding cities and towns.

A total of 371 oil burner inspections were made to insure against improper installations. There were 100 blasting permits issued necessitating close inspection so that public safety would not be endangered. Investigating complaints and checking industrial plants for safety is a major duty of the inspection department of the Fire Department.

Periodic inspections were made throughout the year in stores, churches, factories, rooming houses and convalescent homes. Fire drills were conducted in all schools during the year.

With the continued addition of fire alarm boxes to the fire alarm system each year it is imperative that two more circuits be added to the fire alarm system no later than the year 1958.

EVOLUTION OF A DEDICATION

For the past several years it has been the policy of the Town Report Committee to dedicate each report to a different Town function or department. This year it was decided Needham Heights should be exposed to the "Fiscal Wheels" which make the Town go.

A good many hours of work and thought went into it. Homer J. Dietmeier designed the cover, and made the sketch of the Town Hall; George H. Krech did the layout; Laurence T. Ash took the photo of the figures. Ken Webb, meantime, was creating the excellent resume which starts on page 4.

Planning Board

EDWIN M. WAINWRIGHT, *Chairman*

EDWARD L. HILL, *Secretary*

EDWARD I. BOWER

HENRY V. PERRY

ARTEMAS P. RICHARDSON



	<i>Part-Time Employees</i>	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Expenditures</i>
1929	0	\$ 400.	\$ 117.
1947	1	410.	402.
1954	1	4,315.	3,486.
1955	1	8,900.	4,610.
1956	1	3,890.	3,114.

The year 1956 showed continuing growth and development in the Town with increasing interest being given by developers to problem areas where greater consideration had to be given to drainage and utilization of the land.

The Board held 47 weekly meetings, 1 special meeting and 22 advertised public hearings. Fifteen street profiles were approved, 10 subdivisions were approved and 2 subdivisions were disapproved, 3 private ways were abandoned and 1 street name changed. Many conferences were held on subdivision approvals not required, and field inspections were made to view numerous sites which were under consideration prior to and after the hearings.

During the year the Board attended a combined meeting with the Planning Boards of Dedham and Westwood to discuss mutual problems and aspects of zoning as they affect all of our towns. Members of the Board also attended meetings concerning planning sponsored by the Department of Commerce.

The preliminary long range study was pointed to evaluate and correct problems that had occurred in the past when numerous unsuccessful attempts had been made to establish the continuing long range program. The base for the proposed long range plan consists of three parts:

1. Utilization of professional planners.
2. Utilization of members of interested civic groups in town.
3. A combination of the above two.

The above-mentioned will do work in conjunction with the Planning Board either as an entire unit, or a member of the Board will be assigned to work in conjunction with them. It is hoped that this approach will enable the Planning Board to tie in very closely all current problems so that in the long range aspect there is no duplication of effort. The Planning Board hopes to attain a continuing program which will be able to operate for the best interest of the town with a maximum of efficiency and a minimum of expense.

FEDERAL AID FOR PLANNING

The Board has conducted considerable investigation into the possibility of obtaining federal aid through the Housing and Home Finance Agency, where the federal government would match town funds for planning purposes. As a result of this investigation, the Planning Board is placing an article in the 1957 Annual Town Warrant for town meeting action. It is hoped that federal funds will become available to match town funds should approval be given for the proposed planning program. It is hoped that the town will support the Planning Board in its request and approve the article for long range planning, which we are assured by officials in the State would be of great benefit to the town.

Upon the resignation of George M. Wile as a member of the Planning Board, the Board and the Board of Selectmen appointed Artemas P. Richardson to serve until the 1957 March election. We were extremely fortunate in having a group of well qualified residents to choose from who were interested in serving on the Planning Board.



A section of the new Eliot School is photographed through this modern archway.

Board of Appeals

HERBERT L. MOORE, *Chairman*

S. GILBERT TATTERSALL

ENOS G. NICKERSON

BENJAMIN Y. PIPER, *Special Member*H. MAUDE CHURCH, *Clerk*

Board of Appeals hearings scheduled during 1955 and 1956 broke down as follows:

1955				1956				
Zoning		52		Zoning		37		
Building		8		Building		14		
Section of By-Law Zoning	No. of Hearings		Granted		Denied		Withdrawn	
	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955	1956
Section 3	12	8	6	5	4	2	2	1
Section 4	2	1	1	1	1	—	—	—
Section 6	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
Section 7	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
Section 9A	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—
Section 10	6	7	5	6	1	1	—	—
Section 17	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—
Section 17A	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—
Section 20	6	2	4	2	2	—	—	—
Section 20B	9	10	4	8	5	2	—	—
Section 21	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
Section 22	4	5	4	2	—	3	—	—
Section 23	8	2	8	2	—	—	—	—
(Building)								
Art. XVI, Sec. 3	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—
Art. XVIII, Sec. 5	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—
Art. IX, Sec. 16	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—
Art. XI, Sec. 3	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
Art. XI, Framing	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—
Art. XIII, Framing	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—
Art. XVIII, Sec. 9	4	2	4	2	—	—	—	—
Combining Articles								
XVIII, Sec. 9 &								
Art. IX, Sec. 16								
Totals	60	51	45	39	13	10	2	2

The Board of Appeals during 1956 held 51 advertised hearings on applications for variances, exceptions and special permits under the Zoning By-Law and Building By-Laws.

This compares with 60 in 1955, 93 in 1954 and 50 in 1953.

The board, knowing the importance of the by-laws, in creating and maintaining a desirable community, has made decisions favorable to the applicants only in cases where there was obviously an unusual hardship involved and where such decisions would not violate the intent of the by-law.

The fact that the percentage of applications denied is relatively low is an indication of an increasing tendency not to come before the board when there is obviously no legal basis for the granting of requested variance or exception.

Contributory Retirement Board

MELVILLE W. GRANT, *Chairman*

ROGER G. OAKMAN, *Secretary*

N. GRANT MACKINNON

During 1956 Chapter 670 of the Acts of 1955 was accepted by the Town. This act granted an increase of \$200 a year, not to exceed \$2,000 a year, to pensioners who had been retired prior to April 1, 1951 with twenty years service and who had attained age 60 at the time of their retirement; and \$100 a year, not to exceed \$2,000 a year, to widows of deceased pensioners with fifteen years of service. Four pensioners and one widow qualified to receive this increase.

On December 31, 1955 there were 387 active members and 44 pensioners in the System. During 1956 there were 66 new members enrolled and the deductions of 43 members were refunded. Four members were retired in 1956 and four pensioners were lost by death.

Interest at the rate of 2.8% will again be credited to the deductions of all members, and a statement will be sent to each member showing the amount of the deductions and interest to his credit.

The Board continues to invest members' deductions in stocks and bonds approved by the State, and as of December 31, 1956 the total investments amounted to over \$552,000.00.



Needham Civil Defense

LT. COL. FRANK F. FLAGEL, *Director*

LOUISE J. CARY, *Secretary*

	<i>Salary</i>	<i>Capital Outlay</i>	<i>Expenses</i>	<i>Total</i>
1953	\$ 799.		\$3,018.	\$3,818.*
1954	1,508.	\$ 909.	3,139.	5,557.
1955	1,629.	2,276.	2,713.	6,619.
1956	1,905.	726.	2,096.	4,729.

*Needham Civil Defense was formed in 1949.
1953 figures presented for comparison.

VOLUNTEERS

Executive and Administrative	10
Communications	41
Auxiliary Fire	14
Medical	30
Auxiliary Police	35
Radiological	4
Wardens	87

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During the year, fortunately, no emergencies arose which required Civil Defense to go extensively into action. However, during the snow storm which hit the Town on the night of March 16, disabling a great many cars on Route 128, the Director, on request and with the cooperation of Mrs. Frank Dermody, Executive Secretary of the Needham Community Council, opened and made available for stranded people the facilities of the Community Service Center at 51 Lincoln Street. The Red Cross also responded, providing food and care for about sixty adults and children at the Center.

Stretchers and paper blankets were made available from the Civil Defense First Aid Station Equipment located at the Carter School.

A nation-wide Civil Defense test "Operation Alert 1956" was held July 20th through July 23rd. This operation was a "Staff Exercise".

In accordance with Massachusetts Civil Defense Agency directives, Needham Civil Defense participated in these test exercises based on problems affecting this Town, where Worcester, Springfield and Pittsfield target areas were

hit by kilo-ton bombs with resultant radio-active fall-out. The Communications Division was manned and operated during certain phases of the exercises, receiving from and transmitting messages to Sector IC Headquarters located in Framingham, Massachusetts.

Memorial Park Trustees

T. JAMES CROSSMAN, *Chairman*

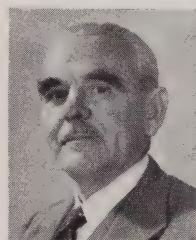
NORMAN GLEDHILL

LESTER C. HUSE, *Secretary*

RONALD D. LOWDEN

ALFRED WENHAM

	<i>Employees</i>		<i>Budget</i>	<i>Expenditures</i>
	<i>Perm.</i>	<i>Temp.</i>		
1929	0	1	\$ 3,500.	\$3,005.
1947	1	6	5,520.	5,413.
1954	1	1	10,665.	10,250.
1955	1	1	25,692.	25,395.
1956	1	1	20,097.	20,057.



The year of 1956 has been an active and progressive one for Memorial Park. While the planned development of the Park was considerably hampered by the long invalidism of our Superintendent, Harold Pike, the following improvements were made: Utilities were brought into the equipment house and on to the field to provide better service. An official cement hammer throw circle and steel goal posts were installed. A fire escape was put on the Legion House to make the third floor usable. A gift of over 100 trees and shrubs from Winslow Nursery made possible a big step in beautifying the Park.

The activities on the Park are taxing the facilities to the utmost. The main events in 1956 were: Memorial Day Observance, Music Festival, New England Olympic Tryouts, All Bay State League Dual Track Meets, High School Graduation, the 4th of July Celebration and the Final Playground Activity Demonstration. The usual high school physical education outdoor program occupied the area practically full time during the school season. The summer months were taken by the Softball teams, CYO and Legion nines, playground track meets and unorganized practice teams.

As a living Memorial to our Veterans it is our endeavor to keep the park at its best in appearance and in service.

In 1921, the townspeople themselves contributed their time, muscle and tools to convert a field and hollow into what we now enjoy as Memorial Park.

DANIEL H. RIDER, *Chairman*

JOHN H. BUSH, *Vice Chairman*

HELEN E. WHITE

DOROTHY A. FIELD

CHARLES E. GREENE

ROBERT J. GRANBERG

ESTHER P. ROBINSON, *Secretary*

DERWOOD A. NEWMAN, *Superintendent of Schools*



	Teach.	Non- Teach.	Budget	Expenditures	Enroll- ment
1929	79	10*	\$ 206,669.	\$ 206,064.	2387
1947	106	28*	497,042.	495,375.	3354
1954	183	46*	1,048,439.	1,043,804.	3988
1955	193	48*	1,218,355.	1,205,872.	4320
1956	207	53*	1,400,619.	1,387,867.	4562

*Excludes cafeteria employees, truant officer and physicians.

The statistics in column five above graphically show what has happened to our costs in recent years, while those in column six indicate in part why it has happened. Partially off-setting our local costs are appreciable returns from the State, returns which are all too frequently overlooked. Returns from the State for capital outlay for school construction amounted to \$31,-351.23 in 1956, and there were other reimbursements totaling over \$150,000.00. These were as follows:

General School Fund	\$139,900.70
Transportation	2,900.00
Special Class	4,540.18
Tuition to Vocational Schools	2,112.97
Transportation to Vocational Schools	576.17
Grand Total	\$150,030.02

MR. WILLIAM F. POLLARD

The year 1956 brought to a close the educational career of one of the leading secondary school principals of the State, William F. Pollard, who became principal of the Needham Senior High School in 1927. Through the establishment and maintenance of the highest scholastic and civic standards, and through his uncompromising integrity, both professionally and personally, Mr. Pollard won the esteem and affection, not only of the hundreds of pupils who attended the school during his regime, but also of the townspeople whom he

so diligently served. It is most fitting that our new secondary school, The William F. Pollard Junior High School, will perpetuate his name and his service.

An able successor to Mr. Pollard is Dr. Walter Patterson, native of West Lebanon, Pennsylvania, who holds a B.S. from the State Teachers College at Indiana, Pennsylvania, an M.A. in secondary school administration from Teachers College, Columbia University, and Ed. D. from Colorado State College of Education. Starting in 1928, Dr. Patterson served successively as a teacher of science and social studies, principal of a junior high school, a senior high school, and a six year high school in Pennsylvania. For ten years prior to coming to Needham he was principal of the four year high school in North Adams, Massachusetts. Dr. Patterson is President of the Massachusetts Secondary Principals' Association and an advisory member of the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.



New school principals in Needham are, left to right: MR. JOHN C. HICKS, Eliot School; MR. SAMUEL P. PIKE, High Rock School; DR. WALTER G. PATTERSON, Senior High School; and MR. HERBERT A. ROUISSE, Mitchell School.

NEW ELEMENTARY PRINCIPALS

Three elementary principals were appointed in 1956. Samuel P. Pike, successor to Dr. William D. Purcell as principal of the High Rock School, holds a B.S. and an Ed.M. degree from Boston University. He taught in Quincy, was an assistant principal in Brookline, and was principal in Rockland and Southwick prior to coming to Needham.

John C. Hicks, principal of the new John Eliot School, graduated from Connecticut State Teachers' College, receiving a B.S. from that institution and an M.A. from the University of Connecticut. Mr. Hicks first taught in Portland and Middleton, Connecticut, and then went abroad to Wiesbaden, Germany, under the Dependents' Education Organization. He became a

teaching principal in Ansbach, and a supervising principal of large elementary schools in Bad Nauheim and in Butzbach, Germany, before returning to the United States in 1956.

Herbert A. Rouisse, who followed Frederick A. Gorgone, Jr. as principal of the Mitchell School, took his B.S. in Ed. from Fitchburg State Teachers College, M.S. from the University of Massachusetts and Certificate for Advanced Graduate Study (C.A.G.S.) from Boston University. Mr. Rouisse taught mathematics in Fitchburg High School before becoming a teaching principal in Warren, and then supervising principal of a large elementary school in North Adams.

BUILDINGS AND STAFF

Extensive school building has taken place in a very brief period. The fourteen room John Eliot School was completed in 1956, an auditorium-gymnasium-cafeteria was added to the Harris School, and construction of the new William F. Pollard Junior High School was begun. In addition, two elementary schools and a large addition to the high school have been built since the High Rock Building Committee was appointed in 1950. Despite all this, more elementary classroom space will be needed within two years and another new Junior High School in the near future.

Conversion to the use of oil for heating purposes in all school buildings was completed in 1956. An entirely new oil-burning boiler-room installation was made in the Junior High School. During this same year, almost all of the old classroom lighting has been modernized, new movable furniture has been placed in nearly all classrooms, and new floor covering is being installed.

Rapid growth in population and building facilities means an increased staff, which now totals more than three hundred teaching and non-teaching personnel. More than half of our supervisors, principals and teachers have come to us within the last three years, and are thus not on tenure. We have been fortunate in these additions to our staff, but we would point out that recruitment is a major problem, and we must maintain a competitive salary schedule if we are to keep the standards of our schools in the forefront of the state.

The dedication of the new John Eliot School on November 15 marked a notable addition to the elementary school facilities of the town. The architect and the contractor went to great lengths to preserve the natural setting for this beautiful modern school with its twelve classrooms, two kindergartens, library, gymnasium, cafeteria and auditorium, as well as office, conference and health unit. A modern feature of this school is the fact that it is wired for television and has three rooms completely equipped for audio-visual purposes. This school has already established a library through loans of books from the Needham Public Library. Parents have been very helpful in this project.



This fine general utility room, recently added to the Harris School, adds greatly to the effectiveness of the school facility.

The William Mitchell School has a most interesting feature in the Bird Sanctuary adjacent to the school at the east. There each of the classes planted a tree, with suitable ceremonies, in the spring of 1956.

The Harris School is most appreciative to the Town for its beautiful general-purpose addition, which for the first time makes it possible for the school to conduct physical education classes properly, to serve meals from its own cafeteria, and to have a suitable assembly room for music and other school group activities.

JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

The Junior High School principal and staff are grateful to the William F. Pollard Junior High School Building Committee for the opportunity of working with the architect on the development of plans. Every department within the school met with the architect and was happy to have all feasible suggestions incorporated. The staff is now working on revisions of the curriculum to take maximum advantage of the facilities of the new school.

Despite adverse conditions in the present Junior High School building, a successful program has been maintained. Under a modified "core curriculum", incoming seventh graders find the transition from sixth to seventh grade relatively easy, since they have only two major subject teachers, one English and Social Studies, the other Mathematics and Science. One of these two subject matter teachers is usually the homeroom teacher as well.

In spite of overcrowded conditions, by means of careful program planning and by using all available space, plus assigning three "floating teachers" to available classrooms by periods, it has been possible to hold class sections to a reasonable size. Except for a few sections specifically planned to meet

the needs of pupils who require more individual attention and extra help in the fundamental processes, the fifteen eighth grade and twelve seventh grade class sections average about 29 pupils each, even though some of the homerooms have as many as 37 or 38.

The closest cooperation of home, teachers and pupils is essential at all levels. That this is generally realized is apparent from the fact that some twenty parents a week are visiting Junior High School faculty members by appointment. These personal meetings, together with two general meetings in the spring, one designed to assist parents of sixth grade pupils with problems involved in changing schools and programs, and the other for the purpose of helping the parents of eighth graders to assist their children in selecting senior high school programs, make the education of these boys and girls the joint program it should be.

Worthwhile extra curricular educational and developmental opportunities abound in "Gym" meets, music concerts, dramatic club plays, assemblies, Christmas program, girls' style show, science show, etc. Such activities supplement the formal program and give pupils a chance to win recognition of special talents and skills, and bring enjoyment to parents, teachers, and fellow pupils.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR HIGH SCHOOL

Dr. Walter G. Patterson speaks in his report of the excellent condition in which he found the High School and its records, the high quality of the staff and the manner and spirit in which its members work.

Dr. Patterson presented a number of recommendations stemming from departmental meetings, relative to changes in the program of study. Among these recommendations are developmental reading for all ninth graders and for Seniors as an elective, and an elective in Speech for the Junior year, the number of periods and credits to be decided later. It is also suggested that the study of German be revived, and that the High School broaden its offerings in Industrial Arts and Home Economics.

In December, 1954, the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools adopted a program for the evaluation of public secondary schools with the proviso that all member-schools must be evaluated every ten years. The first step is for the school to formulate a statement of its own philosophy. Each school will be evaluated in the light of its own understanding of its purposes and not by comparison with others. The second step is a self-evaluation using the *Evaluative Criteria*, 1950 edition, published by the American Council on Education. Third, a visiting committee is invited to come to the high school to consider the evaluations by the school staff and to make its recommendations. The major purpose of the evaluation is to help good schools to become better schools and to become aware of their own achievements and those of their colleagues.

Now that Needham Senior High School is well established and adjusted to its new and much larger plant and the enlarged faculty has had a "shake down cruise", it is time to put in writing a statement of working philosophy and begin constructive and critical self evaluation.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Of the 201 students in the class of 1956, 138 are continuing their formal education, 92 going to four year colleges. Nineteen scholarships totaling over seventeen thousand dollars were awarded by the following institutions: Archbishop Cushing College, Babson Institute, Bates College, Bentley School of Accounting, Brown University, Colby College, Ithaca College, Katherine Gibbs, Nacakester College, New England Conservatory of Music, Pierce Secretarial School, Seton Hall College, Trinity College, Western College for Women, Wilson College, and Yale University. In addition, at least two thousand dollars in awards were made by local individuals or groups. This is not the largest total amount or the largest number of individual awards, but is a truly remarkable record.

One hundred fifty-two of the better known colleges and universities have now banded together in a "College Scholarship Service", and we quote from one of their bulletins: "The colleges using the Service join in the belief that scholarships should be awarded to students selected on the basis of ability and promise but that the amount of the awards should vary according to the financial need of the students and their families". Since need is now a major consideration in setting the size of grants and Needham is a somewhat favored community economically, the number of grants is of greater significance than their size.

SPORTS

It is a pleasure to report a most successful sports record for the year. Our basketball team was second in the Bay State League, the hockey team reached the State play-offs, and the wrestling team produced a New England champion in the 145 pound class.

The track team was undefeated in Bay State League competition, in spring sports won the Bay State Conference Meet, and was second in the State Meet in Class D competition, setting new records in the discus and high jump. The baseball team was second in the Bay State League, the tennis team lost but one match, while the golf team, undefeated in Bay State League competition, won the State championship.

Not to be outdone, the senior girls were undefeated in basketball, the juniors lost but one game and the sophomores lost only two. The overall record was 21 wins out of 24 games. In tennis they lost but one match.

Fall sports maintained the pace, the cross country team losing but once,

while the football team won six out of nine games. Again the girls showed their mettle by winning eight out of ten field hockey games, tying one and losing one.

DRIVER-TRAINING

The value of driver-training in the saving of lives, as well as insurance premiums, has been so well demonstrated in recent years that the majority of our young people now register for these classes. The driver-training car are a common sight in Needham; one instructor gives full-time to this activity while another takes trainees out in the afternoon. It is expected that further teaching help will be necessary in 1957.

Before the young people receive their behind-the-wheel experience, they are made familiar with the motor vehicle laws, driver courtesy, and basic understanding of the mechanics of the automobile itself. Recently, classes have been established in the evening for persons under twenty-five who have not been able to take the driver-training course offered in the high school during the day.

READING

Three reading specialists under the direction of our reading supervisor are working with classroom teachers, as well as small groups of children, shifting the emphasis from almost purely remedial help to a program that is more preventive and developmental, with the expectation that a relatively excellent reading program will become even more effective. It is interesting to note that a study of reading efficiency in our senior high school disclosed the fact that our median score was at the seventy percentile as compared with nationwide results; this means that where one half of all high school pupils in the country as a whole are above average, in our case, seventy percent of the pupils are above average in this most essential skill.

Our preventive program now starts in grade one. In order to minimize the need for remedial work outside the classroom, any first grade child who needs extra help for any diagnosable reason gets it promptly.

ART

The Art department is developing a unit outline for use in the elementary schools. Pupils from the fourth to the twelfth grades may now work in ceramics. Watercolor and tempera painting begin in the elementary school and oil painting is offered in the Senior High School. The Art and Music departments together are offering a splendid college-grade appreciation course in these fields.

MUSIC

Interest and participation in music activities continue to show healthy growth, the highlight of the music year being the Southeastern Massachusetts

Music Festival sponsored and arranged by the Needham Department of Music and held in Needham on May 12th. The Department is deeply appreciative of the whole-hearted cooperation of almost every other department, organization, and individual in Needham, as well as in the schools. Some five thousand boys and girls from all over Southeastern Massachusetts participated in the all-day program held here. Needham vocal and instrumental groups and individuals received a gratifying number of high ratings. One new entrant, which was given much merited attention, was the "One-hundred Piece All-Star Elementary Band."

An unusual opportunity and honor has been won by Miss Christine Nikitas, recipient of a Fullbright scholarship to the University of Athens, where she will spend a year studying Byzantine music. Miss Nikitas has been teacher of vocal music in our elementary schools for three years.

HEALTH

Our doctors and nurses had a busy year. Working with the Board of Health, they gave nearly three-thousand polio shots. More than four hundred pupils and school personnel were X-rayed, physical examinations were given in grades one, four, seven, eight, twelve, and to all athletes. Vision and hearing tests were given in Grades one through twelve, and first-aid was administered over forty-five hundred cases—a number almost equal to the total school population.

GUIDANCE

The need for expanding our services, particularly at the elementary level, was highlighted by a survey conducted by the Youth Committee of the Needham Community Council, at the request of the School Committee. The School Committee itself appointed a sub-committee of two who served with members of the school staff in making a thorough examination of our Guidance Services. As a result of this study, the School Committee plans to establish the position of elementary school counsellor, and in order to maintain a more favorable counsellor-pupil ratio in the Junior and Senior High Schools, an additional counsellor at both levels will be employed.

Through the leadership provided by "Childrens' Services of Greater Boston," a boys' club was formed in the Junior High School to assist boys in working out more satisfactory inter-personal relations.

No longer will it be necessary for Needham High School pupils to go elsewhere to take College Board examinations, as arrangements have been made to give them in our own school.

ZONING

With or without new schools, adjustments in zoning among the elementary schools must be made each year if we are to maintain good pupil-teacher ratios throughout the town. The problem becomes especially acute when a new

school is completed. The new John Eliot School, for example, has children who were formerly in the Dwight, the Carter-Avery and the Broad Meadow schools.

Major changes in transportation result from these adjustments. In September it was possible to make a sharp reduction in the numbers being carried to the Broad Meadow School and to the Carter School, thus offsetting in part the increase in the numbers bused to the parochial schools.

Whenever zoning changes occur, other departments of the town become involved—Public Works through the construction of sidewalks, the Fire Department because another building has been added to their responsibilities and the Police Department in the protection of children at dangerous crossings. Several policewomen were added to the Force this last fall. We gratefully acknowledge the services of the Engineering and Water Departments, too, as well as those of all cooperating departments.

LIBRARIES AND PARENT-TEACHER CLUBS

The development of school libraries has been a recurring theme in reports of the elementary principals. Almost all of the schools now have their own and they have several thousand volumes among them. Annual appropriation by the town, supplemented by major contributions from enthusiastic Parent Teacher clubs, have made these libraries possible. Parents have not only donated books, but have also given a great deal of assistance in cataloging and distributing them.

The new gymnasium at the High School makes possible many new activities.



The material and moral support of the Parent-Teacher Clubs is a priceless asset to the schools which they so enthusiastically and devotedly serve. Broad Meadow School parents have made possible a six-hundred volume library, Carter-Avery parents have given a microscope to each sixth grade, Wright School received a sizable contribution to the library, and the Stephen Palmer School has been presented with a movable stage. These are only samples of what has been done, but they are indicative of the breadth and nature of the contributions made.

SCHOOL ENROLLMENT — 1956-57

School	Kt.	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI	XII	Sp.	Ttl.
Junior High School	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	358	301	238	189	—	1088
Junior High School	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	335	388	—	—	—	—	—	723
Broad Meadow	45	50	61	54	67	61	50	—	—	—	—	—	—	11	399
Carter-Avery	50	62	29	65	67	60	51	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	384
Wright	28	26	26	27	25	32	28	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	192
Wright	50	60	41	48	44	34	30	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	307
Wright	40	41	35	41	31	47	29	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	264
High Rock	74	71	53	66	63	54	51	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	432
Wright	45	31	34	46	41	32	34	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	263
Stephen Palmer	66	63	79	67	83	78	74	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	510
Totals	416	404	358	414	421	398	347	335	388	358	301	238	189	13	4562

OCTOBER 1, 1955

Elementary	2622	
Junior High	716	
Senior High	982	4320

OPENING DAY SEPTEMBER 1956

Elementary	2729	
Junior High	710	
Senior High	1064	4503

Shown below is the entire student body attending a recent assembly.



Public Library

DR. HARRY W. KIMBALL, *Chairman*

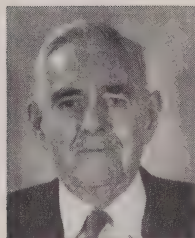
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DOROTHY M. BROWN, *Librarian*

	Employees	Total Books Loaned	Budget	Expenditure
1929	3	66,522	\$ 7,400.	\$ 9,380.
1947	8	116,920	31,638.	30,499.
1954	10	208,567	49,545.	45,341.
1955	10	231,229	54,851.	51,392.
1956	10	237,355	55,705.	53,951.

The fact that the residents of Needham use their Library to a very large extent is evident by statistics of book circulation. Total for 1956 was 237,355—a gain of 6,126 over 1955.

Following is a tabulation of books loaned in 1956 by classes:

How-to-do-it books	9,050	Books of philosophy and	
Periodicals	5,582	psychology	2,18
Music and art books	8,156	Religious books	1,31
Biographies	8,019	Books on journalism, and	
Plays, poems, essays	7,162	reading as an art	54
Books of travel	5,408	Pamphlets	36
Books of sociology	5,191	Dictionaries and grammars	31
History books	5,679	Novels	72,36
Books of science	3,822	Children's books	73,71

Books circulated at Branch 28,470

History showed a larger increase in the numbers circulated than any other type of book. Use of non-fiction generally increased more than fiction. Business at the Branch in Needham Square went up substantially.

A total of 3,736 people were registered in 1956. Of this, 2,019 were adults, 1,055 children, and 662 teen-age.

Four thousand and two books were added to the library—2,923 adult and 1,079 children's.

A total of \$4,684.59 was collected, mostly from overdue charges, and given to the Town.

Thirty-three story hours were held for children and forty visits to school classrooms were made by the children's librarian. 22,047 books were loaned to the elementary schools for the school year ending June 1956.

The need for expansion of the present building is the most pressing problem of the library today. This must be done before the library can function adequately.

The new stacks installed in 1956 provide more book space but do not enable the library to grow in other ways such as facilities for music and listening recordings, bookmobile—including garage and service headquarters, adequate workroom which can be used for all the behind-the-scenes operations of the library, larger and more open areas for browsing and book display, and expanded services to children and schools.

It now appears impossible to expand in any direction other than to the rear of the library. Therefore, the Trustees are asking that the Town buy or acquire by eminent domain the land directly in back of the library. This could eventually be used for an addition to the present building and for parking facilities which the Needham Library ought to provide, since most people come to the library by car.

An annual report of any department should occasionally state the aims of that department. The public library position is clearly described in the introduction to the "Preliminary Statement of Revised Standards for Public Libraries," prepared recently by a committee of practicing librarians for the Public Libraries Division of the American Library Association:

"The public library has become an essential instrument of our common life. As a democracy, we make major public decisions through widespread citizen participation. The public library is at hand to provide free access for all to the reliable current facts, to the background of reasoned opinion, and to the deeper insights which enable public decisions to be wise as well as popular. In a free society, we strive to make opportunity for the good things of life widely shared. The public library stands at the community crossroads serving not any single group, but young and old, rich and poor, with the means of occupational growth and the enrichment of personal life in hours of leisure.

"The public library has thus won its place as an institution performing a unique and indispensable service to our society. It is a proud American achievement."

The back cover of this report contains a copy of the official town seal, selected in 1891, depicting an Indian in the act of delivering a scroll or deed to two white men on the bank of the Charles River, with High Rock in the background.

The Fire Alarm System has been reprinted, and should be kept handy throughout the year for constant reference.

Board of Park Commissioners

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	<i>Employees</i>		<i>Budget</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>
	<i>Perm.</i>	<i>Temp.</i>		
1954	30	16	\$23,767.	\$29,671.*
1955	39	23	32,637.	33,114.
1956	48	25	35,420.	46,587.

* Figures for previous years not given because of organizational and functional changes of this activity.

The 1956-elected five-member Board of Park Commissioners has had a busy year expanding the existing program and becoming firmly established as an active body. By Town vote the Park Commission has taken on the responsibilities for the Town Forest as well as recreational programming.

Citizens of the town can observe continued improvements in the Town Forest and the planting of shrubs and other improvements on small parks owned by the town as a result of working closely with the Town Forestry Department.

Investigating the possibilities of further recreation for the town has been a sub-committee on tennis. Another group explored the possibilities for an ice-rink in the future. Both of these groups submitted valuable information which can help to bring about these activities in the near future. A sub-committee has also been appointed to explore adult education. The Park Commission has had the support and assistance of the Sportsmen's Club in many of its activities. One of these was the fishing derby which was held in August for Junior High pupils. These two groups are presently looking into the possibilities of fishing in some of the ponds in town.

Liaison with the League of Women Voters has been established by the attendance of one of the League members at the meetings of the Park Commission. Working relationships have been established with the Youth Committee of the Needham Community Council.

It appears now that the Cricket Field project is nearly completed. This will add another full-size ball field and a softball field. The completion of this field will provide more play not only for Little League but for children of all ages.

Recreation for the Senior Citizens group has been supplied by the Park Commission, including attending a ball game at Fenway Park. Plans are under way to establish the use of the former V.F.W. building on Chestnut Street where the Senior Citizens can work on various hobbies and where they can have their own place to meet and visit.

The Needham Community Theatre is a new organization sponsored by the Park Commission. This provides entertainment for a good number who participate in the activities and also those who attend the performances. A recent addition to this activity is a Chamber Orchestra which will supplement the Needham Philharmonic Orchestra, another Park Commission-sponsored organization.

The success of the Youth Canteen at the Senior High School and what it has done for the students has stimulated interest in a similar organization at the Junior High. This has recently been organized and appears to be as popular as the older group.



(Left) Memorial Park was the scene of the playgrounds season finale. (Above) Mike Hughes of Needham wins the 220-yard dash at Bay State League Championship Meet.

As usual, the summer playground activities proved very popular. The Play Leaders, who were added as part-time in 1955 were increased to full-time, and these leaders played an important part in the success of the program. Attendance at all playgrounds ran high and interest was maintained right up to the final exhibition in August.

The demand for evening classes for adults was very great and as a result classes were formed in Art, Braided Rugs, Ceramics, Chess, Furniture Refinishing, Reupholstering, Sewing, Square Dancing, Swimming and Woodworking. Tray Painting and Golf classes will be started early in 1957.

Two new classes of instruction have been formed; one a Gun Safety Club which teaches students of high school age the proper handling of guns at an age when they are interested in using guns and should learn the proper handling. The other course is a State-run Driver's Course, to enable people under 25 to take required instruction in order to reduce the insurance rates.

The continued use of school facilities granted by the School Committee has made the expanded program of recreation possible, including an elementary school baseball league for boys.

Rosemary Beach again played an important part in the plans of the Park Commission to provide suitable activities for the townspeople. The attendance at Rosemary and the interest in the Red Cross Swimming Classes proves that this is a most popular spot during the summer months. Immediate and long-range plans have been drawn for Rosemary Lake which will develop new safety features in the form of new piers, catwalks and diving facilities. A new admission booth will be constructed and will be relocated for better handling of admissions and check-outs.

A program of outdoor winter sports has been developed through cooperation with Memorial Park Trustees and the Public Works Department.

Long-range plans are being developed in cooperation with the Planning Board for the use of Norris Farm.

During the year, the Park Commission has endeavored to work closely with many town groups and anticipates continued interest and support in behalf of parks and recreation.

All-in-all, the Needham Park Commission has had a good beginning towards completing long-range ideas and plans which benefit people of all ages and will cover the many recreational interests of every resident of the Town of Needham.

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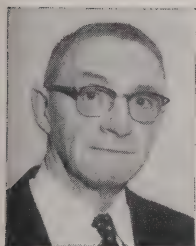
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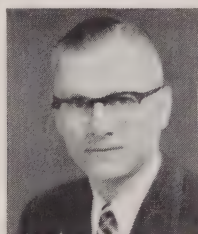
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	<i>Employees</i>	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Expenditures</i>	<i>Receipts</i>
1929	N.A.*	\$ 18,000.	\$ 17,998.	N.A.*
1947	28 total	78,692.	78,134.	\$ 73,450.
1954	70 perm.	458,873.	417,107.	347,780.
	65 temp.			
1955	75 perm.	450,091.	446,279.	414,343.
	65 temp.			
1956	75 perm.	522,366.	518,847.	461,000.
	80 temp.			

*N.A.—Not Available.

The year 1956 has seen a further increase in the scope of our activities both in terms of patients treated and in amount of money handled. The total number of patients increased from 2,216 in 1955 to 2,520 in 1956. There was a more than proportionate increase in the amount of major and minor surgery performed, but a slight decrease in the number of obstetrical cases.

It is gratifying to note that the average number of days' stay in the hospital decreased somewhat from 1955, and that there was a substantial increase in the number of out-patients treated.

CENSUS FOR YEAR — 1956

Patients in house December 31, 1955	48
Patients admitted during 1956	2,520
Patients discharged during 1956	2,452
Deaths	69
Patients in house December 31, 1956	47
Medical Cases	425
Major Surgery Performed	500
Minor Surgery Performed	724
Tonsils and Adenoids	243
Obstetrical Cases	503
Caesarean Sections	32
Births	493
Total Number of Patient Days	17,294
Total Number of Infant Days	2,982
Average Number of Patients per day	47.3
Accidents	1,179
Accidents Admitted	93
Out-patients Treated	108
Average length of stay in Hospital	7
Blue Cross Patients	1,608
Total Number of X-rays	5,651
Laboratory	106,176

Examination representing the total number of
units made in our Hospital Laboratory

House Patients	89,338
Out-Patients	16,838

On the financial side the increased number of patients, along with some increases in rates, have reduced the actual operating deficit by nearly \$6,000. However, substantial capital expenditures including that for a complete new X-ray room, makes the total deficit for the year somewhat higher than 1955. The year has seen the retirement of Dr. Richard W. Ohler as Chief of our Medical Service, and of Dr. E. M. Hodgkins as Chief of the Surgical Department. The staff has appointed Dr. Herbert Dunphy as Chief of Surgery and Dr. Joseph M. Lynch as Chief of Medicine. These appointments have been approved by the Trustees. Close cooperation between the Medical Staff and the Trustees has been maintained by monthly meetings of the joint Executive Committees. By means of a system of rotation, most of the Trustees have had an opportunity to meet with the doctors, thus bringing the two groups more

closely together. Chiefs of various services have met with the Trustees in order to keep the Trustees informed on developments in their respective departments. In 1956, for the first time, all 15 beds on the ground floor have been available for occupancy throughout the year. The constantly increasing proportion of older patients points up a problem which is likely to be more serious as time goes on. Eventually some special facilities will have to be provided for this type of patient not requiring as much treatment as the average patient. A Town Committee on the geriatric problem has been organized, and the Trustees are represented on this committee by Mr. Cyril Angell.

The Superintendent of Nurses has found it more difficult this year to maintain an adequate staff of trained nurses and is obliged to depend very largely on part-time nursing, which makes adequate coverage extremely difficult to secure, especially weekends. This problem is made even more difficult by the lack of public transportation during off hours.

The various volunteer groups have made their usual major contributions to the hospital. The Hospital Aid Association has been outstandingly successful in raising money, and has made possible the purchase of a number of items of equipment which could not be provided for in the regular budget.

In December, Mr. Stewart Johnston, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, resigned and Mr. Frank L. Farwell was elected to succeed him. The position of Vice-Chairman thus vacated has been filled by Mr. E. W. L. Page, a member of the original building committee.

There has been the usual fine spirit of cooperation among the Medical Staff, the Nursing Staff, the employees and the Trustees. The Trustees wish to commend especially Mr. Carmichael, our Business Manager, and Miss Linane, Superintendent of Nurses, who are the ones directly responsible for the successful operation of our fine hospital.



This modern laboratory at Glover Memorial Hospital provides the finest of equipment, and is constantly in use. Also shown, one of the large, cheerful rooms at Glover Memorial Hospital.

Public Welfare

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ZELLA M. MANN, *Agent*



Employees		Budget	Expenditures
1929	1	\$ 17,000.	\$ 16,046.*
1947	4	70,781.	95,625.
	U. S. Grants	34,062.	
1954	5	100,450.	166,692.
	U. S. Grants	61,518.	
1955	5	119,150.	174,052.
	U. S. Grants	66,304.	
1956	5	135,954.	187,915.
	U. S. Grants	67,216.	

*Soldiers' Relief part of Public Welfare Department.

TODAY'S TREND

In the field of Public Welfare, 1956 saw a continuation of a trend that at first glance seems paradoxical. On the one hand, the population of the Town has shown a steady increase; on the other hand, the number of persons assisted has shown a slight decline.

At the same time, each year has seen an increase in the total dollars spent. This is a reflection of our inflationary times, with particular reference to increasing medical costs. In 1956, these totalled \$55,475, or 29%, of the \$187,915 spent. By contrast, in 1953, medical costs accounted for \$35,279, or 23%, of the \$147,000 spent.

STATISTICALLY SPEAKING

Our statistics for 1956 are presented herewith in a form designed to show the part played by U. S. Grants, state reimbursements, and recoveries from individuals as a result of operation of the lien laws.

Each year the Town must appropriate at Town Meeting an amount equal to estimated total expenditures, less expected U. S. Grants. Aside from the latter, the Town treasury is also reimbursed by the State according to various formulae that vary according to the type of assistance granted.

In 1956, the Town appropriated \$135,954 for use of the Welfare Department. All but \$31,526 found its way back to the Town treasury in one form or another. Thus, the direct cost of our Welfare program was about 50¢ of our local tax rate. Of course, we pay the total cost through State and Federal taxes.

EFFICIENT OPERATION

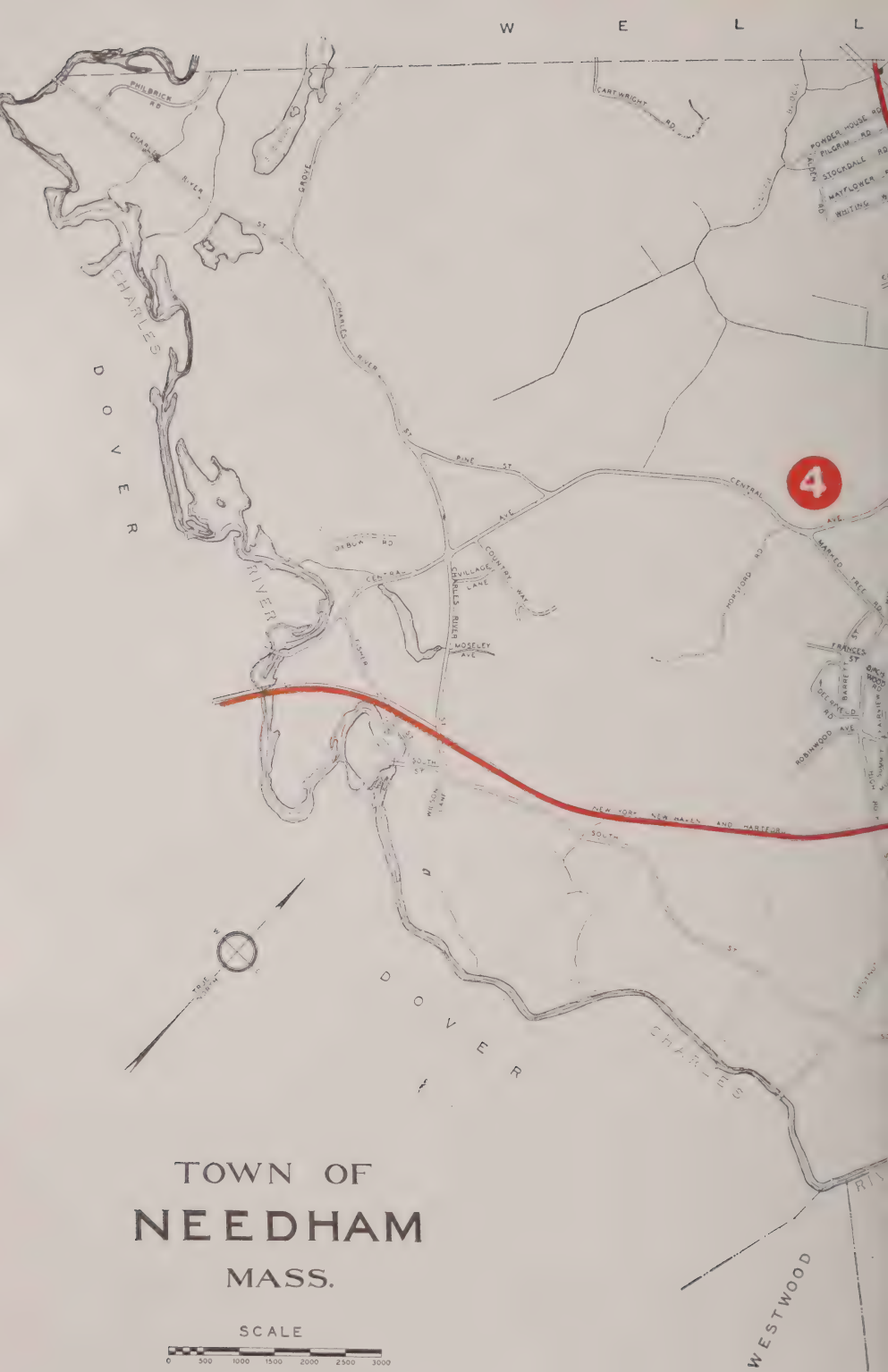
Because of the complicated nature of the operation of any Welfare program, Needham is fortunate in having a loyal, competent staff that has given the Town a well-deserved reputation for efficient, professional operation. Technical knowledge, intelligence, and the ability to get along with people, are important qualifications for employees of the department.

Heading the department is Mrs. Zella M. Mann, as Agent, who has served the Town for 25 years. Social Workers are Mrs. Ruth Purinton (5 years' service) and Mrs. Cecile Acres (8 years' service.) The staff is completed by Senior-Clerk Stenographers Mrs. Janet Crispin and Mrs. Helena Hicks, each with 3 years' service. The board is highly appreciative of their unfailing cooperation.

To guide the Town's participation in the vitally important State Medical Plan, the department is fortunate in having the services of Dr. Doratheia M. Willgoose as Medical Advisor. And no report would be complete without an expression of appreciation for the superb cooperation of Glover Hospital and local medical personnel.

	Returned to Town in 1956				
	Spent by Town in 1956	U. S. Grants	From State	From other cities, towns	From Indi- viduals
General					
Relief	\$ 3,837.	.....	\$ 1,286.	\$3,113.	.....
Old Age					
Assistant	140,635.	\$50,072.	63,963.	4,169.	\$6,898.
Aid Dependent					
Children	6,586.	2,441.	2,747.	.....	.....
Disability					
Assistance	16,807.	5,201.	6,552.
Salaries &					
Expenses	20,050.	9,502.	445.
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	\$187,915.	\$67,216.	\$74,993.	\$7,282.	\$6,898.
Total spent by Town in 1956					\$187,915.
Total returned to Town in 1956					156,389.
Net cost to Town					<hr/> \$ 31,526.

Needham at one time had four trolley lines: one route ran along Great Plain Avenue between Needham and Wellesley; another ran to Watertown; a third to West Roxbury along Harris Avenue; and the fourth to South Natick via Chestnut Street and Charles River Village.



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Board of Health

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KENNETH CHRISTOPHE, M.D., *Secretary*



	<i>Employees</i>	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>
1929	1	\$ 6,950.	\$ 6,632.
1947	6	20,701.	18,485.
1954	10	56,616.	54,003.
1955	12	58,004.	56,804.
1956	12	62,056.	60,907.

On March 31, 1956, Mr. Curtis M. Hilliard resigned after serving for three years as the Supervisor of the Needham Board of Health. At the Annual Town Meetings in Needham, Wellesley and Weston, articles were unanimously passed to allow the three Boards of Health to sign and enter in a joint contract to provide the services of a full-time Health Officer. Mr. David Moxon, M.P.H., was appointed as Health Officer as of April 1st, 1956. The contract provides for the salary to be paid on a percentage basis, and this arrangement in effect provides full-time supervision at a much reduced cost to each community.

In 1956 only one case of Polio was reported as against a total of 50 in 1955. It is usual following an epidemic year of this disease to have a period of several years when its incidence remains low. This is due to many factors—probably the chief one being that in an epidemic year most of the susceptible population either is diagnosed or has become immunized naturally. The inoculation program with the Salk Vaccine has continued at a high pace throughout the year. A total of 5,837 inoculations were given in the clinics, including first and second shots for pre-schoolers and the major portion of the school population—plus young adults from 15 through 19 years of age, both in and out of the school system. In November the State Department of Public Health notified this department that vaccine was available for a limited time for persons up to 30 years of age. There were 500 of these people immunized by their family physicians with the Board of Health providing free vaccine. The physicians in Needham and surrounding communities administered 7,776 doses of Salk Vaccine to their private patients, including pregnant women, and they cooperated fully in the successful conduct of our public clinics. Much appreciation is due to the public health nurses and school nurses and the entire staff of the Board of Health for carrying through this program. In the Spring of 1957 the third or booster shots, will be administered to all enrolled.

In January, 1956, the part-time school nursing program in the two parochial schools of our Town began to take on a more important aspect under the guidance of Mrs. Mary Barnicle. The Lions Club of Needham has provided a modern piece of apparatus for testing of eyes and hearing for the schools to supplement the equipment which the School Department has already, and to provide similar service for the parochial schools. The Board of Health accepted this equipment for the Town with a great deal of appreciation.

In the summer of this year cases of encephalitis lethargica were being reported in various portions of Norfolk County, as well as in other parts of the State. This disease is transmitted by the mosquito from birds, which serve as a reservoir of infection, to horses and to humans, and is marked by an extremely high death rate and very severe crippling effects in those who survive. Accordingly, our mosquito control program was stepped up to a greater degree than we had anticipated at the beginning of the year. In addition, the State Department of Public Health mobilized all the mosquito-fighting equipment they could gather and the newly formed Norfolk County Mosquito Control Commission also went into action. Fortunately, because of the quickness with which this program was accomplished, Needham did not have to report any cases of this deadly disease. The value of a functioning program such as that being carried on in the Town was very well demonstrated.

The incidence of communicable disease in 1956 was much lower than that of the preceding year, being featured by a fairly high incidence of chicken pox and mumps. In addition, 127 cases of dog bite, which of course in themselves are not communicable disease but are potential carriers of rabies, were reported and all were quarantined by the Town Veterinarian for the required period of time. It would appear that in spite of the increase in population which has occurred in Needham during the past several years that the communicable diseases reported were well within normal limits.

The Dental Health program continues to function in a very satisfactory manner. The volume of work in 1956 has remained about the same as in the previous year. In late October an inspection of the x-ray equipment at the clinic proved that a rather dangerous condition existed, and accordingly the Finance Committee provided money to purchase a new Dental X-Ray Unit. This has been installed and is functioning.

On June 11 through 15, a mobile x-ray unit provided by the Norfolk County Tuberculosis Association x-rayed 974 employees of several industries in Needham. No cases of active tuberculosis were found. In addition a mobile unit from the Norfolk County Sanatorium x-rayed the entire Senior Class at the High School and several of the school personnel. It is encouraging to note that no significant communicable conditions were reported. The Public Health Nurse is responsible for the x-raying of 227 individuals at the Norfolk County Sanatorium. The results of these x-rays were reported to the physicians involved and follow up by the nurse was routinely carried out. All cases of com-

municable disease reported as measles, whooping cough, scarlet fever, salmonella, infectious hepatitis or polio were routinely checked and quarantine instituted where necessary.

In cooperation with a committee from the Charles River District Medical Association, of which one member was a Needham physician, over 600 Dreyapak kits were distributed for the detection of diabetes during Diabetes Week in November. Approximately 120 were returned for processing, of which four needed further follow up.

In cooperation with the Needham Visiting Nurses' Association, the Nutrition Worker this year has been making visits to industrial plants to give advice and guidance to patients that are referred to her by plant physicians. Also, during the current year increasing numbers of referrals by local physicians for more intensive assistance and guidance to their patients as regards the nutritional aspects of such diseases as diabetes, hypertension, arthritis and obesity have been requested. Her work with the Boy and Girl Scouts and with the schools has continued as in the past.

The continuing building boom in Needham has absorbed a large proportion of the time of the Sanitarian in giving advice and in making inspections of home sewage disposal facilities. There has been a total of 194 permits issued during the past year. Routine examination of milk plants, restaurants, bakeries, nuisance complaints, etc., have taken place when time was available from the more demanding sewage disposal work.

Expenditures for the year with garbage and mosquito control included makes the per capita cost \$2.58. Deducting the amount of the garbage contract and mosquito control, which are not included by the State as basic health services, the per capita cost was \$1.05.

The above is a very brief report of the work of your Department of Public Health during the last twelve months. Information in detail can be secured at the office of the Board in the Town Hall.

DID YOU KNOW THAT . . .

In 1718, Needham had a "moving school", which was hauled about the town by oxen.

In the "good old days", the lamp-lighter had to travel 13 miles a day to light the oil street lamps, the first ones burning three or four hours before sundown.

The official town seal, selected in 1891, depicts an Indian in the act of delivering a scroll or deed to two white men on the banks of the Charles River, with High Rock in the background.

Finance Committee

ROBERT W. CHERRY, *Chairman*

CHARLES E. DOWNE, *Vice-Chairman*

CONRAD W. FRYKBERG, *Executive Secretary*

ROBERT W. JENSEN

EBEN F. SMITH

BOYD BRITTON

JOHN WALLACE

FRANK L. BRIDGES

HUGH DYSART, JR.

FREDERICK O. J. MUZI



The members of the Finance Committee are appointed by the Moderator, three each year for a term of three years. The Committee's powers and scope of responsibility rest upon the Massachusetts General Laws and our Town By-laws. Its principal function is to submit at the Annual Town Meeting a proposed itemized budget for all departments and boards. It also administers a Reserve Fund, amounting in recent years to \$35,000, from which transfers may be made to increase individual appropriations and so provide for extraordinary or unforeseen expenditures. The Committee reports to all Town Meetings as fiscal advisor and is required to counsel the Annual Meeting on each article in the warrant.

This year the Finance Committee initiated a program of long-range budgeting of capital projects. These include expenditures financed by Town funds for land, buildings, equipment, or physical betterments, and costing \$500 or more. The Committee has acted to acquire the facts about each project and to promote release of the information to the people of Needham. The program integrates with the Committee's continuing function of appraising the services needed by the Town and recommending appropriations which are adequate to pay for them. By it the Town should have at the Annual Meeting knowledge of what capital projects are impending that should be helpful in deciding how to use its credit and its cash. The new program broadens the advisory service of the Finance Committee by enabling attention to be given to fiscal policies and practices with an eye to both future needs and future ability to pay.

In order to expedite inquiry into the merits of departmental expenditures, each member of the Committee has assumed responsibility this year for becoming well-acquainted with the operations and problems of individual divisions of the Town government. This plan has been helpful both in reviewing budget requests for 1957 and in determining the justification for transfers from the Reserve Fund.

Public Works

LESTER C. HOLLIS, *Superintendent*

	<i>Employees</i>	<i>Available Funds</i>	<i>Expenditures</i>
1929	50	\$ 350,736.	\$ 309,641.
1947	72	706,000.	636,856.
1954	97	1,307,382.	975,111.
1955	94	1,287,123.	1,026,844.
1956	101	1,234,202.	974,166.

The activities of this department are controlled by General Laws under Sect. 2, Chapt. 184 of the 1932 Acts, which authorized the Selectmen to act as a Board of Public Works and appointing a Superintendent to administer under the direction of the Selectmen, the powers of Highway Surveyor, Water Sewer and Park Commissioners, Tree Warden, Town Engineer and such other powers under the control of the Selectmen as they may designate.

Separate reports submitted by each division head containing a brief summary of the major problems and accomplishments are contained herewith and detailed reports, maintained by this department, are made available to those who desire further information.

From the available funds allocated to this department for expenditures this year, an unexpended balance of \$32,450. from the budget accounts has been returned to the treasury.

This was due in a large measure to salaries and expenses incurred for the excessive snow storms during March, April and December. In addition about \$900. was returned from work completed under special articles. About \$226,000. is being carried forward for expenditures during 1957, \$160,200. of which is for encumbrances made under contract for drain construction and \$20,000. which is the Town's share of the Hurd Brook Improvement in conjunction with State and County funds; \$8400. Highway alteration at Rosemar St. and Highland Ave. and for widening May Street; \$7000. for water mains; \$3300. for Betterment Street Construction; \$4000. Chapter 90 Road Construction, and \$4500. for other miscellaneous work.

The increased real estate development throughout the town has continued to present further demands for utilities and other services by this department.

Thirteen subdivision plans, as applied by developers for approval by the Planning Board have been reviewed this year, and after revisions, written acceptances, specifications and estimates submitted to the Planning Board.

These thirteen subdivisions, comprising about 177 acres of land, contain 292 lots upon which new homes are being built along four miles of new street all of which increases the work load of this department.

Exclusive of over-time pay the sum of \$411,581. was expended from budget appropriations and special articles to pay the annual salaries and wages employees.

Employees of this department are classified as follows:

- 1 Superintendent of Public Works
- 1 Principal Clerk
- 3 Senior Clerks
- 1 Part-time Clerk
- 1 Town Engineer
- 3 Assistant Engineers
- 2 Chief of Party and Inspectors
- 1 Senior Draftsman
- 2 Draftsmen
- 4 Student Engineers
- 1 Asst. Supt. Public Works & Supt. Water Division
- 1 Divisional Supt. Highways
- 1 Divisional Supt. Sewer
- 1 Deputy Tree Warden & Moth Supt.
- 3 Assistant Divisional Superintendents
- 1 Master Mechanic
- 1 Garage Mechanic
- 3 General Foremen
- 5 Foremen
- 2 Shovel Operators
- 26 Skilled Laborers
- 19 Semi-Skilled Laborers
- 7 General Laborers
- 11 Common Laborers

Assignment of all personnel is as follows and the rates of compensation conform to the Consolidated Personnel By-Law.

Administration	6
Engineering	13
Equipment	2
Forestry	9
Highway	29
Sewer	22
Water	20

ENGINEERING DIVISION

H. GORDON MARTIN, *Town Engineer*

Twelve streets, totaling 1.47 miles, which have been accepted by the Town required construction, were surveyed, their exact location and profiles

figured, estimates of assessments made and record and construction plans drawn.

Twelve other streets, totaling 1.91 miles, were also accepted by the Town without assessments. Computations and record plans were made of each.

Engineering surveys have been made and profiles taken on thirteen streets or portions of streets proposed for acceptance under the Betterment Act by the Town in 1957.

Street widening and corner rounding taking and construction plans were made of the Highland Avenue—Rosemary Street intersection, lines and grades were given during construction.

Study plans of the widening of Highland Avenue, between May Street and Rosemary Street, have been made.

Engineering surveys, profiles, plans and studies necessary for the construction of various sewers and drains have been made, together with the descriptions and taking plans of various easements required through private properties.

After completion of construction, 25 record sewer assessment plans have been made and assessments computed for sewers installed. Twenty-five record drain plans were made of drains installed in various ways.

Lines and grades have been given for the construction of sidewalks together with the computation of assessments to be levied for walks constructed under the Betterment Act. Studies have been made, also lines and grades furnished for other public walks and curbs constructed in the Town.

Fifteen new assessor plans were made and ten others were brought up to date and reprinted.

Other engineering services include drafting sewer house connection cards, checking building applications, assignment of house numbers, making house numbering plans for each newly approved street, and surveys and plans for proposed stop-and-enter signs.

The School Department and Recreation Committee have requested surveys and plans.

Information has been given other Town departments, private engineers, surveyors, developers, title examiners, attorneys and other persons when requested concerning street lines, subdivisions, zoning and other available engineering data.



Roadbuilding is a constant assignment with the Department of Public Works. This big paving machine is part of the equipment used.

FORESTRY DIVISION

ROBERT L. YOKES, *Deputy Tree Warden and Moth Superintendent*

The removal of trees, insect control and shade tree planting were major activities of this division in 1956.

Approximately five hundred street trees were planted. These were mainly on accepted streets and roadside replacements. The trees planted were: Flowering Crab, Dogwood and Japanese Cherries, Thornless Honeylocust, Littleleaf Linden, Mountainash, Washington Hawthorn, Sugar and Norway Maples and White Oaks. Over two hundred trees had grown to sufficient size in the town nursery and were used in street planting. Three hundred and fifty-two small trees, composed of fifteen species, were planted in the town nursery and will be ready in about two years for planting on streets.

Over three hundred trees were removed and one hundred and two of these were accountable to Dutch Elm disease, seventeen were removed by petition, one hundred forty-two for highway and drain construction, fifty-one were dead or condemned due to storms, utility wire construction and dangerous conditions.

The Needham Town Forest now comes under the jurisdiction of the Needham Park Commission and plans are being made for recreational areas. At the Central Avenue entrance three picnic sites were constructed with plans for at least twenty more for the coming year.

HIGHWAY DIVISION

LOUIS W. WISE, *Divisional Superintendent*

The year 1956 was marked with a nearly record snowfall of one hundred and four inches which strained equipment, men, and the yearly budget. Six thousand tons of sand and four hundred tons of salt were used to keep the town reasonably safe for travel. It cost the Town seventy-three thousand dollars for just taking care of the snow with many thousands more dollars to clean up the Town in the spring, as most all of the six thousand tons of sand must be picked up by broom and trucks and snow plow damage repaired. This latter work causes delays in the maintenance work which would keep the Town ways in better condition.

In spite of the delays of last spring we are happy to report that several miles of your roads have been made safer and their appearance improved during the year. One and one half miles of new ways were accepted and constructed, the center of Needham was improved by placing more than nine hundred tons of asphalt pavement on Great Plain Avenue and Chapel Street.

Chapter 90 construction improved the condition of Great Plain Avenue, Central Avenue and has greatly improved Kendrick Street in the Industrial Area. Webster Street was given an asphalt and stone cover from Great Plain Avenue to Central Avenue, increasing the safety of this highly traveled way. Similar treatment was applied on portions of Great Plain Avenue, Central

Avenue, Hunnewell Street, and all streets accepted in 1955. Approximately two miles of old sidewalks were improved with an application of bituminous concrete.

Looking toward the coming year we are scheduling more improvements to surfaces of both roadways and sidewalks with further paving of bituminous concrete in both Needham Square and Heights areas, and the proposed widening of Highland Avenue from May Street to Rosemary Street, which should eliminate a troublesome bottleneck. There will be an increase in asphalt and stone cover surfaces with many side streets receiving this type of surface.

It is proposed to acquire an additional street sweeper this year which will accelerate the spring clean-up, and provide generally cleaner streets throughout the year, as well as better cleaning for maintenance operations. This will cut down delay in surface treatment work and give the department more opportunity to make our streets safer and more attractive.

SEWER DIVISION

EDMUND A. SYMONDS, *Divisional Superintendent*

The expansion of the sanitary sewer system finally reached to the Lewis Street—Newell Avenue area. This was the last large area near the center of the town which remained without sewers. Consequently future work will consist of completing the unsewered sections within the present system, and the extension of the system into the more remote areas.

Approximately five miles of gravity sewers were added to the system of which about one and one half miles were constructed in new developments at no cost to the town.

Three hundred seventeen new house connections were made which represented an increase of seventy over the preceding year.

A contract was let in the Fall for the construction of extensive storm water drain extensions and replacements. This program will be completed in 1957 and will bring relief from flooding in the Manning Street—Great Plain Ave. area, and also the Highland Avenue—Rosemary Street area.

WATER DIVISION

ROGER G. OAKMAN, *Superintendent*

This past year was another record breaker for all phases of your water department.

One of our biggest problems is delivering enough water to meet the demands of the water consumers. On July 3, 1956 we pumped a total of 5,761,900 gallons of water with all pumping stations running at full capacity the entire twenty-four hour period. Of this amount 2,039,000 gallons was pumped from the M.D.C. Sudbury Aqueduct.

During the entire year we pumped a total of 825,422,800 gallons of water of which 52,270,000 gallons of water were pumping from the M.D.C. Sudbury Aqueduct during June, July and August.



A constant and growing problem to both the Public Works Department and the Fire Department is the practice of burning leaves in the streets. Traffic is impeded; fires get out of control, menace children and property; pavement is damaged. All Needham residents are asked not to participate in these dangers. Mulch leaves, or take them to the dump!

The daily average pumping rate has risen to 2,255,200 gallons of water per day, representing an average increase of 11% over that of last year.

The rapid increase in our pumping requirements over the past three years, demands that immediate steps be taken to increase our pumping facilities with an additional pump and station at the M.D.C. Sudbury Aqueduct location.

With this in mind, the Selectmen, on July 31, 1956, asked the previous water committee appointed under Article 29, March 17, 1954, for their co-operation and help in studying this serious situation and to review the past report of the committee.

Under Article 5 of the Special Town Meeting held October 1, 1956 a new Town Water Committee was established to investigate and report to the town relative to the town's water supply and distribution system.

A total of 7916 feet of 6", 8" and 12" water mains were laid in Town Ways, most of which were laid in streets in accordance with the recommendation contained in the report of water main improvement and relaying program.

A total of 20,278 feet of 2", 6" and 8" water mains were extended into private ways and developments, this represented an increase of 70% over the amount of pipe laid for new developments in 1955.

A total of 325 services were connected to new houses and buildings including 14 fire services to supply private hydrant or sprinkler systems.

Your Superintendent recommends: (1) That the main replacement program be accelerated to include the replacement of the existing 6" water main

in Central Avenue and West St. with a 12" main on Central Avenue between Marked Tree Road and West St., and West St. from Central Avenue to Webster St. in 1957; (2) In 1958 and 1959 the existing 8" main in Webster Street be replaced between Hoover Road and Central Avenue, and from Central Avenue to Gould St. with a 20" main; (3) That immediate steps be taken to increase our pumping facilities with a new station on the Eliot School lot from M.D.C. Sudbury Aqueduct supply.

Inspection Department

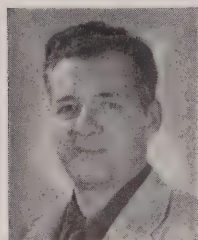
EDWIN D. KEYES, *Building Inspector*

RITA M. OLSON, *Senior Clerk*

NANCY S. COOMBS, *Senior Clerk*

MICHAEL PICARIELLO, *Plumbing Insp.*

CLYDE E. COOKSON, *Wiring Insp.*



	Emp.	Budget	Expenditures	Fees Collected
1929	0	\$ 3,775.	\$ 3,761.	N.A.*
1947	0	8,389.	8,386.	\$ 6,163.
1954	1	17,640.	17,474.	18,497.
1955	2	21,354.	20,419.	15,745.
1956	2	20,578.	20,957.	17,979.

*Not available.

BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED

	Dwellings		Total Building Permits		Total All Permits
1954	313	\$4,572,000.	591	\$9,746,555.	2,104
1955	287	4,243,000.	537	6,862,040.	2,074
1956	295	4,481,000.	553	9,747,000.	2,110

A total of 2,110 permits were issued by the Inspection Department during 1956, thirty-six more than were issued during 1955.

Mr. Michael Picariello was appointed as the full-time Plumbing Inspector July 2, 1956. The Inspection Department now has three full-time Inspectors (Building, Plumbing and Gas, and Wiring) and two Senior Clerks.

\$9,747,000 established another record for estimated cost of construction.

Twenty-four permits were issued for commercial buildings with an estimated cost of construction \$2,823,500.

Forty-four permits were issued for non-residential additions and alterations with estimated cost of construction of \$1,165,675.

Two hundred and ninety-five permits were issued for new dwellings with estimated cost of construction of \$4,481,000.

William F. Pollard Junior High School estimated cost of construction \$1,000,000. Lutheran Church, \$70,000.

Personnel Committee

JOHN K. BENSON, *Chairman*

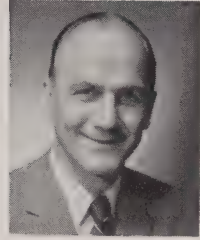
HARRISON D. SCHLOERE, *Vice-Chairman*

MURIEL E. McCUNE, *Secretary*

LEONARD D'ADDESIO

GEORGE W. FALLON, JR.

HENRY GRIEVE



The Personnel Committee consists of five members appointed by the Moderator, each member serving for three years. Two of these members shall be qualified by reason of their experience as personnel executives. The committee's duties are established by the Consolidated Personnel By-Law, and its jurisdiction in personnel matters covers the elective officers of the Town and all employees in appointive positions other than those in the service of the School Department and Glover Memorial Hospital. Provisions of the consolidated by-law are established by the Town Meeting.

The committee is authorized to administer all provisions of the Consolidated Personnel By-Law, which cover conditions of employment and promotion, hours of work, vacations and other benefits, and the establishment of position classifications and rates of compensation therefor. Thus a most significant part of the Committee's work is a continuous review of the salaries being paid by the Town in relation to the nature of work performed in various positions. As a basis for the determination of proper pay rates, the committee has established job descriptions for all positions, fixing proper salary rates therefor through accepted job evaluation techniques, which include periodic salary surveys of rates paid for comparable positions in other towns. The Committee's recommendations to the Annual Town Meeting are based on such reviews.

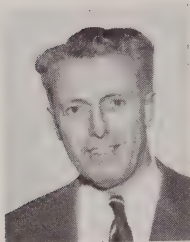
It has also been the Committee's practice to conduct hearings at the request of department heads or their employees with respect to personnel matters. Information or requests received at these hearings is also carefully considered in connection with recommendations to the Town Meeting.

As a further source of information on current municipal personnel practices, the Needham Personnel Committee has become a member of the Massachusetts Municipal Personnel Boards Association, whose membership includes representatives of more than twenty other cities and towns of the state. A member of Needham's Personnel Committee, Mr. George W. Fallon, Jr., is currently a Director of this organization. The Association meets annually for the discussion of current personnel problems and practices, and conducts surveys throughout the year for the benefit of its members.

Although the Personnel Committee has administrative authority granted by the provisions of the consolidated by-law, in practice the successful operation of the Town's personnel program depends upon the cooperation of the admin-

istrative authorities, the Selectmen, department heads and others who actually supervise the excellent performance of our Town functions. The Personnel Committee takes this opportunity to acknowledge the whole-hearted cooperation which it has received from these administrators and to report to the citizens of the Town its belief that we enjoy the services of a most loyal and efficient group of officers and other employees of the Town of Needham.

Needham Housing Authority



RALPH E. CHAMBERS, *Chairman*
 HARMON S. SHUFRO, *Vice-Chairman*
 WILBAR WHITTEMORE, *Treasurer*
 ALBERT W. TOCCI, *Assistant Treasurer*
 HOWARD E. HATCH, *Member*
 HELEN E. CZARNOWSKI, *Executive Director*

The Needham High Rock Veterans' Project was designed and built for the purpose of providing the continuance of modern and adequate housing for veterans with low income in our community. It is here that veterans' families consisting of 23 disabled veterans, five widows and 193 children are raised in a clean, healthful and respectful environment. Eighteen new families were admitted in 1956, this is an increase of 5 over the previous year. Sixteen births were recorded, included were a set of twins.

To maintain the low income character of the project and to make all units available to families in need of this assistance which low rent housing affords the income limitations are as follows:

Minor Children	Rate of Income	Admission Limits	Can't Occupy Limits
1 or less	18%	\$3650.00	\$4100.00
2	16%	3775.00	4200.00
3 or more	14%*	3900.00	4300.00

*\$100.00 deduction from total family income for each minor dep. child in excess of 3 in number.

Contract for exterior painting 67 units, a two coat job, was awarded to the lowest bidder, this work to commence May 15, 1957.

Controlling an erosion condition at 237-243 Linden Street will be a project undertaken during the coming year.

Owing to the increased interest in the importance of Housing for the Elderly, the Authority has inserted an article in the annual Town Warrant.

The erection of a new flag pole on the Administration grounds has greatly enhanced the surroundings.

Treasurer and Tax Collector

ARNOLD MACKINTOSH, *Treasurer and Tax Collector*

	Employees	Budget	Expenditures
929	1	\$ 6,625.	\$ 6,589.
947	2	9,801.	9,646.
954	2	13,796.	13,284.
955	2	14,135.	13,848.
956	2	14,945.	14,761.



During 1956, in accordance with Town Meeting votes, we sold the following bonds:

		Interest Rate
Street Construction	\$ 60,000	2.75%
John Eliot School, Additional	20,000	2.75%
Drainage	120,000	3 %
Junior High School	1,710,000	3 %

Three percent is the highest rate of interest paid by the Town for many years and reflects the present situation in the money market. Our total debt as shown in detail in the Town Accountant's report was \$6,599,000 on January 1, 1957.

The great majority of our taxes are paid during the last three months of each year so that at the year end we have a temporary surplus of funds on hand. At the end of 1956 we also had on hand a substantial part of the Junior High School money. In order to put this temporary surplus to work we have invested \$2,000,000 in United States Treasury Bills at an average rate of over 3%. Treasury Bills mature in three months from the date of purchase and as much as possible will be reinvested quarterly. A substantial amount of income to the Town is assured.

The 1956 tax levy was \$3,085,348, including real estate, personal property, and betterments added to taxes, and on December 31, 1956, 98.76% of this amount had been paid. All 1956 poll taxes have been paid in full, and all 1955 real estate taxes have been paid.

There were traffic accidents in 1875, too! In one day, there were four: one covered sleigh overturned, imprisoning a lady and gentleman who were soon released. A boy was thrown from a sleigh, but without being injured. In the evening, two sleighs were completely demolished.

—Needham Chronicle, 2/20/1875.

Town Accountant

MELVILLE W. GRANT, *Town Accountant*

	Employees	Budget	Expenditures
1929	2	\$ 3,070.	\$ 3,069.
1947	2	7,540.	7,538.
1954	3	15,330.	15,329.
1955	4	17,508.	17,387.
1956	4	20,749.	20,711.

The continuing rise in the above figure is general throughout all Town department. This great change is due to the tremendous growth of the Town, and the requirements for operating the same. The Accounting Department has sent to the Treasurer for payment over 11,700 vouchers, representing an expenditure of over \$8,824,000.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 61, Chapter 41, of the General Laws the following reports are submitted. All reports are arranged in accordance with the classification prescribed by the Director of Accounts.

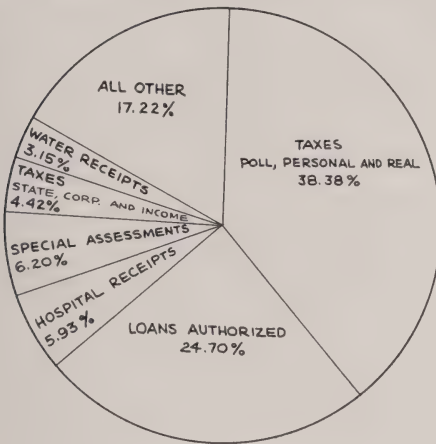
A detailed report of receipts and expenditures for the year ending December 31, 1956 is on file with the Board of Selectmen.

DEBT STATEMENT

Also Amounts from Principals and Interest During Year 1956

	Outstanding Dec. 31, 1955	Paid in 1956	Outstanding Dec. 31, 1956	Principal Due in 1957	Interest Due in 1957
Broadmeadow School, 1952-72	\$ 560,000.00	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 525,000.00	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 8,120.00
Dwight School Add. 1951-70	65,000.00	5,000.00	60,000.00	5,000.00	840.00
John Eliot School, 1956-74	520,000.00	30,000.00	490,000.00	30,000.00	11,025.00
John Eliot School Add. Loan 1956-68			20,000.00		550.00
Harris School Add. 1956-73	90,000.00	5,000.00	85,000.00	5,000.00	1,912.00
High Rock School (O.D.L.) 1951-71	80,000.00	5,000.00	75,000.00	5,000.00	1,232.00
High Rock School 1951-71	215,000.00	15,000.00	200,000.00	15,000.00	3,272.00
High Rock School Add. 1953- 72	170,000.00	10,000.00	160,000.00	10,000.00	3,200.00
William Mitchell School 1950- 69	295,000.00	25,000.00	270,000.00	25,000.00	4,725.00
Junior High School 1956-75			1,710,000.00	90,000.00	51,300.00
Senior High School Add. 1953- 72	1,615,000.00	95,000.00	1,520,000.00	95,000.00	36,480.00
Senior High School—Remodel- ing and Reconstruction, 1953- 72	80,000.00	10,000.00	70,000.00	10,000.00	1,680.00
Hospital Addition 1947-67	300,000.00	25,000.00	275,000.00	25,000.00	4,125.00
Drains Construction 1956-66			120,000.00	15,000.00	3,600.00
Sewer Construction 1947-57	38,000.00	19,000.00	19,000.00	19,000.00	237.00
Sewer Construction 1948-58	60,000.00	20,000.00	40,000.00	20,000.00	700.00
Sewer Construction 1949-79	120,000.00	5,000.00	115,000.00	5,000.00	2,012.00
Sewer Construction 1950-58	15,000.00	5,000.00	10,000.00	5,000.00	140.00
Sewer Construction 1952-62	105,000.00	15,000.00	90,000.00	15,000.00	1,440.00
Sewer Construction, Fuller Brook District 1952-72	195,000.00	15,000.00	180,000.00	15,000.00	2,880.00
Sewer Construction 1953-72	320,000.00	20,000.00	300,000.00	20,000.00	7,200.00
Street Construction 1946-56	5,000.00	5,000.00			
Street Construction 1951-59	20,000.00	5,000.00	15,000.00	5,000.00	212.00
Street Construction 1952-62	70,000.00	10,000.00	60,000.00	10,000.00	960.00
Street Construction 1953-60	25,000.00	5,000.00	20,000.00	5,000.00	480.00
Street Construction 1955-65	60,000.00	10,000.00	50,000.00	10,000.00	1,125.00
Street Construction 1956-66			60,000.00	10,000.00	1,650.00
Water Storage Tank 1950-56	5,000.00	5,000.00			
Water Construction Pumping Station and Mains 1954-59	80,000.00	20,000.00	60,000.00	20,000.00	600.00
Total	5,108,000.00	\$419,000.00	\$6,599,000.00	\$524,000.00	\$151,700.00

Where the Money Came From



	1956	1955
CASH ON HAND JANUARY 1	\$ 584,108.06	\$1,274,902.57
GENERAL REVENUE:		
Needham Taxes:		
Poll	\$ 11,794.00	\$ 11,370.00
Personal	126,883.46	119,147.50
Real	2,850,318.90	2,560,827.97
Total Taxes	\$2,988,996.36	\$2,691,345.47
From State:		
Corporation Taxes	\$ 124,866.56	\$ 101,290.41
Income Taxes	96,744.91	129,154.96
School, Chapter 70	122,500.00	52,700.00
Total from State	\$ 344,111.47	\$ 283,145.37
Taxes on Land for Water Purposes:		
Brookline, Newton, Wellesley and State	\$ 2,490.08	\$ 4,530.00
Special Assessments:		
Added to Tax Bills		
Motor Vehicle Excise	\$ 316,683.53	\$ 328,900.90
Sewer	29,980.05	32,386.07
Sewer House Connections	7,837.09	7,750.13
Sidewalk	603.26	604.17
Street	16,209.77	14,872.24
Paid in Advance		
Sewer	55,431.60	38,880.67
Sewer House Connections	19,794.48	24,542.98
Sidewalk	6,607.34	2,050.72
Street	29,239.94	19,360.02
Total Special Assessments	\$ 482,387.06	\$ 469,347.90
Court Fines, District Court, North Norfolk	\$ 972.00	\$ 986.00
Permits and Licenses	847.34	959.50
Total Fines and Permits	\$ 1,819.34	\$ 1,945.50

WHERE THE MONEY CAME FROM — Continued

Grant and Gifts:		
County:	1956	1955
Dog Tax	\$ 2,961.61	\$ 2,592.9
Highway Fund, Roads, Chapter 90	18,482.52	2,527.0
Federal Government:		
Aid to Dependent Children	3,526.64	2,972
Disability Assistance	6,091.79	5,513.9
Old Age Assistance	53,005.45	52,482.4
State:		
Adult Civic Education	162.00	148.5
Highway Fund, Roads, Chapter 90	36,983.75	4,054.1
Meal Tax	3,157.10	2,694.1
Real Estate Taxes, Paraplegics	4,568.33	4,402.5
School Construction Aid, Chapter 645-1948	104,669.38	64,218.8
School Transportation	5,589.14	13,278.3
Total Grants and Gifts	\$ 239,197.71	\$ 154,885.5

DEPARTMENTAL RECEIPTS:

Board of Appeals, Hearing Costs	\$ 343.67	\$ 453.8
Glover Memorial Hospital:		
Services	416,775.69	361,109.3
Laboratory	8,567.90	7,458.8
X-Ray	36,109.85	45,434.8
Miscellaneous	372.18	340.4
Health, Communicable Diseases, Dog Clinic, Dental Clinic, Cesspool Fees and Well Child Conferences	2,593.45	2,545.4
Inspection, Building, Gas, Wiring Fees and Sale of Building By-Laws	17,980.25	15,751.3
Library, Fines, Lost and Damaged Books, Registration Fees and Sale of Junk	4,684.59	3,988.6
Needham Housing Authority, Payment in Lieu of Taxes	2,880.00	3,024.0
Planning Board, Hearing Costs	362.66	323.0
Police, Ambulance Services, Bicycle Fees and Revolver Permits	1,087.25	968.0
Public Works, Sale of Maps, Rental of Equipment, Rental of Real Estate and Cleaning House Connections	1,632.38	1,566.7
Recreation, Rosemary Beach and Playground Receipts	2,059.20	2,139.2
Salvage Contract	1,793.75	1,619.8
School:		
Rental of Auditorium	825.00	840.0
Tuition from Cities and Towns, Individuals and State	29,890.74	5,244.5
Telephone, Breakage, Lost Books, etc.	3,059.45	660.1
Sealer of Weights and Measures	289.20	283.4
Town Clerk, Certificates, Permits, Licenses and Fees	8,345.30	7,271.2
Town Hall and Grounds, Miscellaneous Receipts	2.05	6.3
Treasurer and Tax Collector, Tax Titles, Sale of Land and Rental of Town Property	5,836.40	3,668.8
Parking Meter Receipts	9,472.61	9,937.3
Veterans' Services, Reimbursement from State	10,972.71	12,011.5
Water:		
Rates	194,205.28	160,741.2
Repairs	2,346.60	2,750.2
New Services	28,564.80	23,128.1
Connection Fees	15,239.91	17,250.5
Sprinkler Charges	270.00	
Miscellaneous Receipts	4,227.58	635.9
Liens	649.69	1,274.5
Welfare:		
Aid to Dependent Children:		
Receipts from State	2,747.42	1,359.0

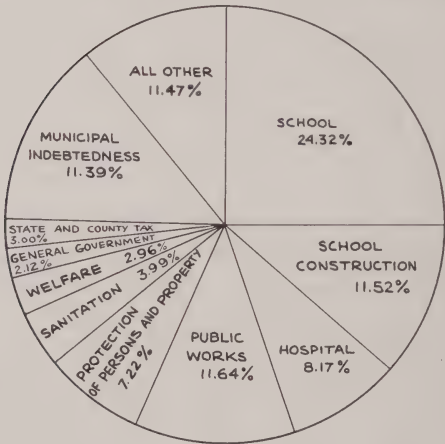
HERE THE MONEY CAME FROM — Continued

	1956	1955
Disability Assistance:		
Receipts from State	6,997.19	5,179.74
General Relief Assistance:		
Receipts from Cities and Towns		1,187.99
Receipts from State	1,286.06	861.79
Recoveries from Individuals	3,112.78	
Old Age Assistance:		
Receipts from Cities and Towns	6,898.46	2,945.63
Receipts from State	56,837.13	54,058.36
Recoveries from Individuals	22,140.22	11,504.32
Total Departmental Receipts	\$ 911,459.30	\$ 769,524.25
SCHOOL FUNDS:		
Athletic Fund Receipts from Senior High School	\$ 14,096.68	\$ 4,916.83
Cafeteria Receipts, All Schools	112,858.44	97,797.48
Commonwealth of Mass. School Lunch Program	36,275.75	34,285.60
Total School Funds	\$ 163,230.87	\$ 136,999.91
MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS:		
Bonds Authorized:		
Drains Construction, Principal, Premium and Interest	\$ 120,875.20	
Harris School Addition, Principal, Premium and Interest		\$ 90,024.30
Highland Park School, Principal, Premium and Interest		520,140.40
Highland Park School, Additional Loan Principal, Premium and Interest	20,098.81	
Junior High School, Principal, Premium and Interest	1,722,471.60	
Street Construction 1955, Principal, Premium and Interest		60,016.20
Street Construction 1956, Principal, Premium and Interest	60,158.92	
Total Municipal Indebtedness	\$1,923,604.53	\$ 670,180.90
BONDS MATURED:		
U. S. Treasury Bills	\$1,491,520.00	
Interest	8,480.00	
Total Bonds Matured	\$1,500,000.00	
TEMPORARY LOANS:		
Anticipation Serial Sales:		
Highland Park School		\$ 40,000.00
Junior High School	\$ 150,000.00	
Anticipation of Taxes	200,000.00	
Total Temporary Loans	\$ 350,000.00	\$ 40,000.00
INTEREST:		
Waterworks, Sewer, Sewer House Connections, Sidewalks and Streets	\$ 15,784.32	\$ 19,306.20
Motor Vehicle Excise	151.29	194.55
Roll, Personal and Real Estate	1,167.58	1,262.37
Tax titles		6.23
Total Interest	\$ 17,103.19	\$ 20,769.35

WHERE THE MONEY CAME FROM — Continuu

COSTS:		1956	1955
Motor Vehicle Excise, Poll, Personal and Real Estate.....	\$	807.30	\$ 889
TRUST FUNDS:			
Income	\$	3,037.47	\$ 3,017
REFUNDS:			
Flood Damage	\$	6,492.50	
Hurricane Damage		5,717.50	\$ 51,081
Group Life Insurance, Dividend		3,143.38	
Miscellaneous		1,112.31	4,177
Total Refunds	\$	16,465.69	\$ 55,259
DEDUCTIONS:			
Withheld from Employees:			
Blue Cross	\$	33,503.04	\$ 13,651
Group Life Insurance		5,891.34	3,355
Withholding Taxes		303,545.75	260,972
Total Deductions	\$	342,940.13	\$ 277,979
Total		\$9,871,758.56	\$6,854,723

Where the Money Went



GENERAL GOVERNMENT:		1956	1955
Finance Committee—Salary and Expenses	\$	2,665.34	\$ 2,906
Selectmen—Salaries, Expenses, Capital Outlay and Town Meetings		7,767.65	6,219
Selectmen—Civil Defense, Salaries, Expenses, Capital Outlay and Travel Out of State		4,729.39	6,615
Selectmen—Remodeling Town Hall Auditorium			90
Selectmen—Repairs Fire and Police Station Headquarters Building		4,771.43	
Selectmen—Telephone Switchboard, Salary and Expenses		6,468.19	

WHERE THE MONEY WENT — Continued

	1956	1955
Accounting—Salaries, Expenses and Capital Outlay	20,710.78	17,387.49
Treasurer and Tax Collector, Salaries and Expenses	14,761.20	13,847.93
Town Clerk—Salaries, Expenses, Fees and Capital Outlay	10,313.59	7,986.70
Town Clerk—Census Taking 1955		1,153.45
Town Clerk—Printing Town By-Laws		351.50
Election and Registration—Salaries, Expenses, Tellers and Canvassers and Capital Outlay	16,988.87	8,556.50
Assessors—Salaries, Expenses, Card System, Capital Out- lay and Travel Out of State	20,173.12	19,141.62
Legal—Salary, Expenses and Damages	5,677.57	4,888.34
Town Hall and Grounds—Salaries, Expenses and Cap- ital Outlay	15,028.18	18,669.52
Board of Appeals—Salaries and Expenses	1,071.42	1,172.93
Planning Board—Salary, Expenses and Capital Outlay	3,197.81	4,610.89
Personnel Committee—Salaries and Expenses	198.00	646.09
Total General Government	\$ 134,622.54	\$ 114,244.99

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY:

Police Department:		
Salaries	\$ 164,205.21	\$ 150,580.65
Auto Maintenance, Building Maintenance, Communi- cations, Operating Expenses and Signal System, Travel and Uniforms	22,626.44	20,358.23
Capital Outlay	5,235.34	5,440.29
Total Police Department	\$ 192,066.99	\$ 176,379.17

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Salaries	\$ 203,423.53	\$ 179,005.80
Building Maintenance, Equipment and Supplies, Main- tenance of Equipment, Medical, Service and Travel Out of State	18,400.10	16,702.40
Capital Outlay		36,955.76
Repairs Needham Heights Station	286.18	
Total Fire Department	\$ 222,109.81	\$ 232,663.96

MISCELLANEOUS PROTECTION:

Fire Alarm—Salaries, Expenses and Capital Outlay	\$ 18,369.23	\$ 11,383.62
Forest Warden—Salaries, Expenses and Forest Patrol Inspection—Salaries, Expenses, Transportation and Capital Outlay	599.75	599.40
Animal Inspector—Salary and Transportation	21,519.43	20,419.40
Dog Officer—Salary	580.76	527.06
Dog Officer—Salary	760.00	700.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures—Salary, Expenses and Transportation	1,631.00	1,425.90
Total Miscellaneous Protection	\$ 43,460.17	\$ 35,055.38

HEALTH AND SANITATION:

Health—Salaries, Expenses and Capital Outlay	\$ 19,038.21	\$ 16,027.57
Dental Clinic—Salaries and Expenses and Capital Outlay	4,647.46	3,636.79
Garbage Removal	27,299.96	26,433.32
Hospitalization	3,866.01	4,296.34
Mosquito Control	6,064.44	6,410.34
Total Health	\$ 60,916.08	\$ 56,804.36

WHERE THE MONEY WENT — Continued

	1956	1955
Sanitation:		
Drains Construction, Art. 19/54		\$ 13,62
Drains Construction, Art. 27/55	\$ 1,782.37	61,30
Drains Construction, Art. 40/55	3,851.80	2,78
Drains Construction, Art. 27/56	19,819.91	
Sewer Construction, Art. 34/52		4,09
Sewer Construction, Art. 1/52 S.T.M.		2
Sewer Construction, Art. 27/53	8,616.80	16,92
Sewer Construction, Art. 28/53		80,09
Sewer Construction, Art. 21/54	6,004.12	53,65
Sewer Construction, Art. 29/55	78,436.58	31,96
Sewer Construction, Art. 28/56	99,598.25	
Sewer House Connections	34,986.13	30,82
Total Sanitation	\$ 253,095.96	\$ 295,46
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS:		
General Division—Salaries, Wages and Maintenance Expenses	\$ 97,952.03	\$ 94,11
Forestry Division—Salaries, Wages and Maintenance Expenses	34,495.76	30,43
Highway Division—Salaries, Wages and Maintenance Expenses	109,572.12	82,38
Sewer Division—Salaries, Wages and Maintenance Expenses	47,908.42	50,47
Water Division, Salaries and Wages and Maintenance Expenses	90,431.75	79,77
Assessors Block Plans	3,196.01	
Capital Outlay	28,425.04	55,46
Dutch Elm Disease	4,999.46	4,00
Highway Specific Repairs	17,383.81	14,83
Moth Control	4,018.96	4,62
Park Improvements	1,973.84	1,60
Parking Meters and Areas	165.63	19
Parking Areas—Birds Hill Station	1,617.60	
Pedestrian Light, Highland and Rosemary	5,560.83	
Poison Ivy Control	460.84	41
Purchase Portable Gasoline Pump	87.57	2,76
Repairs, Abbott Street	500.00	
Roads, Chapter 90, Construction		4,11
Roads, Chapter 90, Construction, Great Plain Avenue ...	44,994.75	
Roads, Chapter 90, Construction, Kendrick Street	28,020.25	
Roads, Chapter 90, Maintenance	4,217.03	3,00
Roads, Chapter 90, Charles River Bridge	4,819.25	1
Sidewalk Construction	3,069.07	2,92
Snow Removal	72,714.86	17,57
Streets, Construction, Art. 34/55	20,733.29	62,23
Streets, Construction, Art. 25/56	73,657.16	
Street Lighting	35,607.44	33,42
Town Forest	1,495.83	1,50
Traffic Signals—Highland Avenue and Webster Street ..		5,19
Travel Out of State	444.79	38
Total Public Works	\$ 738,523.39	\$ 551,46
WATER DEPARTMENT:		
Water Construction—Extensions and Services	\$ 80,012.87	\$ 90,89
Water Mains—Laying and Relaying	43,018.64	50,00
Water—Construction, Pumping Station and Mains	16,768.96	32,61
Total Water Department	\$ 139,800.47	\$ 173,50

HERE THE MONEY WENT — Continued

	1956	1955
PUBLIC WELFARE:		
General Relief—Salaries and Expenses	\$ 713.16	\$ 650.79
General Relief—Assistance	3,837.27	3,018.69
Old Age Assistance—Salaries and Expenses	14,822.99	13,093.26
Old Age Assistance—Assistance	140,635.02	132,614.44
Aid to Dependent Children—Salaries and Expenses	2,070.91	1,811.04
Aid to Dependent Children—Assistance	6,586.08	6,354.98
Disability Assistance—Salaries and Expenses	2,443.22	2,201.24
Disability Assistance—Assistance	16,806.89	14,308.39
Total Public Welfare	\$ 187,915.54	\$ 174,052.83

VETERANS' SERVICES:		
Veterans' Services—Salaries, Expenses and Transportation	\$ 7,109.03	\$ 6,358.34
Veterans' Benefits	29,361.21	27,542.55
Total Veterans' Services	\$ 36,470.24	\$ 33,900.89

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT:		
Salaries	\$1,079,117.42	\$ 966,498.76
Auxiliary Agencies	21,508.15	15,294.92
Expenses of Instructions	61,534.90	49,376.33
General Control	2,697.39	2,693.35
Maintenance	92,541.94	48,127.59
Operating Expenses	81,112.71	73,103.76
Outlay	16,471.77	14,605.74
Travel Out of State	601.04	564.87
Transportation, Pupils	27,832.80	30,009.00
Adult Civic Education	515.81	490.76
Vocational Tuition	3,933.84	5,107.52
Total School Department	\$1,387,867.77	\$1,205,872.60
Study Additional School Needs		\$ 411.63

SCHOOL FUNDS:		
Athletic Expenses—Senior and Junior High	\$ 5,562.53	\$ 5,528.93
Cafeteria Expenses	149,203.21	131,914.97
Total School Funds	\$ 154,765.74	\$ 137,443.90

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION:		
Roadmeadow School Construction		\$ 1,981.72
Roadmeadow School—Fence	\$ 1,700.00	
Roadmeadow School Play Area	359.23	5,138.73
Wright School Play Area	472.70	5,504.55
Warriss School Addition, Plans and Specifications		927.58
Warriss School Addition, Construction	102,537.06	270.56
Highland Park School, Plans and Specifications		2,095.45
Highland Park School, Construction	288,821.82	254,270.35
High Rock School, Elementary, Construction	1,652.56	
High Rock School, Addition, Construction	2,913.24	955.75
High Rock School, Playgrounds		1,567.55
Senior High School, Addition, Plans and Specifications	12.69	220.87
Senior High School, Addition, Construction	51,213.00	207,593.31
Senior High School, Remodeling and Reconstruction	1,297.26	16,651.65
Senior High, Memorial Library		4,433.80
Senior High School, Addition, Plans and Specifications		4,192.27

WHERE THE MONEY WENT — Continued

	1956	1955
Junior High School, Construction	279,240.84	
Junior High School, Land Option	250.00	
Total School Construction	\$ 730,470.40	\$ 505,804
LIBRARY:		
Salaries	\$ 34,778.74	\$ 31,412
Bindings, Expenses, Supplies and Travel	4,123.70	3,310
Books and Periodicals	9,997.82	9,490
Building Maintenance	2,784.01	4,287
Branch Library, Rent	1,200.00	1,133
Capital Outlay	332.70	1,000
John B. Tolman Fund	645.38	757
William H. Wye Fund	89.42	
Total Library	\$ 53,951.77	\$ 51,392
New Construction and Equipment	\$ 6,589.55	
GLOVER MEMORIAL HOSPITAL:		
Salaries	\$ 312,411.14	\$ 281,946
Building Maintenance	40,767.08	36,172
Capital Outlay	25,901.08	1,461
Expenses	10,812.22	9,876
Equipment and Supplies	103,872.88	93,519
Travel Out of State	300.00	300
X-Ray and Laboratory	24,323.06	22,970
Total Hospital	\$ 518,387.46	\$ 446,247
RECREATION:		
Memorial Park:		
Salaries and Expenses	\$ 12,446.96	\$ 9,377
Capital Outlay	7,610.94	1,017
Construction—Equipment House		15,000
Park Commissioners:		
Salaries	24,401.36	18,651
Expenses	7,242.12	7,131
Capital Outlay	2,135.30	3,588
Cricket Field Improvement	12,706.00	3,451
River Park Playgrounds	102.50	286
Total Recreation	\$ 66,645.18	\$ 58,505
MISCELLANEOUS:		
Annuities—Gaughan Haddock and McLeod	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,133
Annuity—Chapter 56, Section 32—Cobb	1,974.06	1,444
Annuity—Chapter 58, Section 32—Frost	3,055.00	3,055
Care of Soldiers' Graves	800.00	800
Committee—Building By-Laws		
Committee—Incinerator for Refuse		
Committee—Newton Water Lands	1,564.06	
Committee—Public Works Garage	906.00	
Committee—Rubbish Collection	810.00	
Committee—School Housing	3,771.22	9,681
Committee—Special Park and Recreation	35.15	1,541
Contributory Retirement—Contribution	40,656.00	36,966
Contributory Retirement—Expenses	1,000.00	700
Insurance, Group Life	5,893.72	3,300
Insurance, Self Insurance	12,633.82	5,177

WHERE THE MONEY WENT — Continued

	1956	1955
Insurance, Premiums Town Schedule	16,617.47	20,475.16
Land Damages—Kendrick and Webster Streets	269.00	
Land Taking:		
Babson Park		
Florence E. McIntosh	13,500.00	
Memorial Day Expenses	465.62	422.90
Purchase of Land:		
R. D. and B. K. Burnham	9,100.00	
High Rock School Area	1,050.00	
Lena M. Rimmele	6,000.00	
Robert L. Rimmele	5,000.00	
Helen H. Shaw		20,000.00
Town Reports	3,573.71	2,394.29
Town Property—Betterments		3,110.97
Town Property—Tax Payments		137.50
Unclassified—Miscellaneous Expenses	463.67	250.80
Unpaid Bills—Prior Years	35.75	50.00
Total Miscellaneous	\$ 133,674.25	\$ 113,650.45

MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS:

Maturing Dept.	\$ 419,000.00	\$ 384,000.00
Interest on Maturing Debt	102,517.50	94,567.50
Repayment of Temporary Loan	200,000.00	
Interest on Temporary Loan	676.00	
Total Municipal Indebtedness	\$ 722,193.50	\$ 478,567.50

OTHER EXPENDITURES:

Blue Cross—Employees Deductions	\$ 33,468.74	\$ 12,098.08
Group Life Insurance—Employees Deductions	5,895.58	3,297.72
Norfolk County Hospital	33,557.97	35,508.49
Norfolk County Tax	64,954.16	59,159.40
Refunds and Transfers	31,616.83	28,629.81
State Tax and Assessments	91,834.88	61,699.85
U. S. Treasury Bills	2,481,250.00	994,352.00
Withholding Tax	298,039.66	234,435.50
Total Other Expenses	\$3,040,617.82	\$1,429,180.85
Total Expenditures for the Year	\$8,824,144.63	\$6,270,614.97
Cash on Hand December 31st	1,047,613.93	584,108.06
Total	\$9,871,758.56	\$6,854,723.03

BALANCE SHEET — DECEMBER 31, 1956

General Accounts

Assets

CASH ON HAND—DECEMBER 31, 1956 ... \$1,047,613.93
U. S. TREASURY BILLS 1,984,082.00

\$3,031,695.93

ADVANCES FOR PETTY CASH:

Health \$ 10.00
Hospital 200.00
Library 20.00
School—Athletic Assoc. 350.00
School—Cafeteria 37.00
School—Senior High 50.00
School—Superintendent's Office 50.00
Tax Collector 100.00
Town Clerk 35.00
Treasurer 50.00
Veterans' Service 50.00
Welfare 10.00

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE:

Taxes 1953:
Real
Taxes 1956:
Personal \$ 1,507.05
Real 35,988.62

Taxes—Chapter 59, Section 5A

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE:

Taxes 1956 61,138.50

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT:

Sidewalks:
Added to Taxes 1956 \$ 16.06
Unapportioned 2,471.13

Liabilities and Reserves

RESERVE FOR PETTY CASH \$ 962.00

TRUST FUND INCOME:

Barb, Library Fund \$ 17.50
Dwight School Fund 220.83
T. Otis Fuller Hospital Fund 423.68
Greenwood, Library Fund 429.86
Lyon Hospital Fund 963.69
Mary E. Moseley Hospital Fund 1,059.87
John B. Tolman, Library Fund 2,457.17
William H. Wye Library Fund 7.79

5,580.39

DOG LICENSES:

Due County 93.00

EXCESS SALE OF LAND:

Chapter 60, Section 79 81.22

LOANS AUTHORIZED:

Accrued Interest \$ 6,249.73
Premiums 1,746.80

7,996.53

OVERLAY, RESERVE FOR ABATEMENTS:

Overlay 1953 54.05
Overlay 1956 5,933.39

5,987.44

OVERLAY SURPLUS, RESERVE FUND:

10,692.68

PARKING METER RECEIPTS

50,244.99

RESERVE SALE OF REAL ESTATE:

Street:

Added to Taxes 1956 \$ 300.56
 Unapportioned 44,852.21

Sewer:

Added to Taxes 1953 \$ 18.55
 Added to Taxes 1956 372.60
 Unapportioned 84,614.99

Sewer House Connections:

Added to Taxes 1956 \$ 14.33
 Unapportioned 22,046.80

Committed Interest:

Added to Taxes 1956

Sewer Committed Interest:

Added to Taxes 1953 \$ 5.19
 Added to Taxes 1956 78.40

Water Liens:

Added to Taxes 1956

TAX TITLES AND POSSESSIONS:

Tax Titles \$ 2,975.67
 Tax Possessions 77.71

DEPARTMENTAL ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE:

Health \$ 1,462.65
 Hospital—Laboratory 272.70
 Hospital—Services 42,123.91
 Hospital—X-Ray 3,684.00
 Police 216.00
 Public Works 682.46
 School 54.00
 Veterans' Benefits 9,013.85

REVENUE RESERVED UNTIL COLLECTED:

Motor Vehicle Excise Tax \$ 61,138.50
 Special Assessments:
 Committed Interest 96.46
 Sewer 85,006.14
 Sewer Committed Interest 83.59
 Sewer House Connections 22,061.13
 Sidewalk 2,487.19
 Street 45,152.77
 Departmental 59,183.76
 Tax Titles 2,975.67
 Tax Possessions 77.71
 Taxes on Deceased Persons 284.80
 Water 42,341.36
 State and County Aid to Highways 9,033.73
 329,922.81

SEWER ASSESSMENT RECEIPTS RESERVE:

Sewer Construction Reserve Fund 58,016.43

SPECIAL RECEIPTS RESERVED, EMPLOYEE DEDUCTIONS:

Blue Cross \$ 1,588.17
 Group Life 53.47
 Withholding Tax 32,043.13
 33,684.77

SURPLUS REVENUE:

Excess and Deficiency 757,355.33

TAILINGS, UNCLAIMED CHECKS

21.90

WATER DEPOSITS, CONNECTION FEES

1,066.85

WELFARE RECOVERIES:

Old Age Assistance 8,959.82

APPROPRIATION, UNEXPENDED BALANCES:

Selectmen, Town Hall Auditorium \$ 198.00
 Fire, George Dean Fund 4.17
 Fire, Repairs, Needham Heights Station ... 7,713.82
 Drains Construction:
 Article 4/54 S.T.M. 20,000.00

BALANCE SHEET — December 31, 1956 — continued

Assets		Liabilities and Reserves	
Welfare—Aid Dependent Children		Article 40/55	593.88
Welfare—Old Age Assistance		Article 27/56	160,180.09
		Sewer Construction:	
		Article 28/56	18,641.72
WATER:		Highway Specific Repairs	8,393.02
Water Rates		Birds Hill Station Parking Area	382.40
Water Repairs		Purchase Portable Gasoline Pump	2,150.83
Water, New Services		Roads, Chapter 90, Kendrick Street	3,979.75
Water, Miscellaneous		Streets Construction	3,342.84
Water, Connection Fees		Street Light Installation	1,575.88
Water, Sprinkler Charges		Water Mains, Laying and Relaying	6,981.36
		School, Study Additional Needs	140.17
		School Fund, Athletic Senior High	7,939.92
		School Fund, Athletic Junior High	17.36
		School Fund, Cafeteria	99.09
		School Fund, George Dean	61.50
		School Construction:	
		Dwight School Play Area	22.75
		Harris School, Plans and Specifications	70.99
		Harris School Addition	27,135.58
		Highland Park School	59,407.83
		Highland Park, Easement Sudbury Aqueduct	250.00
		Highland Park, Construction of Fence	750.00
		High Rock School Addition, Plans and Specifications	3,237.48
		High Rock School Addition, Construction	1,302.47
		High Rock School, Playgrounds	226.88
		Senior High, Addition, Plans and Specifications	1.88
		Senior High, Addition, Construction	65,706.84
		Senior High, Remodeling and Reconstruction	47,616.19
		Senior High, Memorial Library	70.81
		Junior High, Addition, Plans and Specifications	606.27
		Junior High, Construction	1,603,950.16
STATE AND COUNTY AID TO HIGHWAYS:			
Chapter 90, Charles River Bridge			
Chapter 90, Construction			
Chapter 90, Kendrick Street			
Chapter 90, Maintenance			
SNOW REMOVAL:			
Deficit 1956—Chapter 44, Section 31			
NORFOLK COUNTY TAX:			
Underestimate 1956			
STATE TAX AND ASSESSMENTS:			
Underestimate 1956			
TOTAL			

Library, New Construction	32,821.45
Glover Memorial Hospital, Blue Cross Re- serve	191.12
Park Commissioners, Cricket Field	2,556.70
Committee, Study Building By-Laws	96.95
Committee, Incinerator of Refuse	5,000.00
Committee, Newton Water Lands	5,935.94
Committee, Town Water	200.00
Committee, Special Parks and Recreation....	24.85
Committee, Public Works Garage	94.00
Committee, Rubbish Collection	190.00
Committee, School Housing	1,539.44
Insurance, Self Insurance	16,687.07
Land Taking, Babson Park	41.69
Land Taking, Heirs of Frank Ott	5,500.00
Acquisition of Land, Eminent Domain:	
Anne G. Baxter et al	1,000.00
Highland Park	30.00
Needham Real Estate Association	1.00
Easement Over Land, E. C. Thorpe et. al.	3.00
Railroad Right of Way	1.00
Purchase of Land:	
High Rock, School Area	450.00
River Park	803.74
Norfolk County Hospital:	
Overestimate	2,126,669.88
	3,608.53
TOTAL	\$3,421,823.63

Deferred Revenue, Debt Accounts and Trust Funds

DEFERRED REVENUE ACCOUNTS:
Apportioned Assessments Due:

	Sidewalk	Street	Sewer	Sewer H Connec
Due in 1954			\$ 84.08	
Due in 1955			80.50 Dr.	
Due in 1956	\$ 5.98 Dr.		84.08	
Due in 1957	528.32	\$15,229.66	28,282.02	\$ 7,...
Due in 1958	383.38	13,470.44	27,084.99	6,8...
Due in 1959	219.98	13,470.44	26,071.06	6,3...
Due in 1959	219.98	13,470.44	26,071.06	6,3...
Due in 1959	156.45	12,917.10	24,484.13	5,7...
Due in 1960	107.86	12,322.96	21,518.55	4,9...
Due in 1961	54.79	12,312.30	20,555.60	4,4...
Due in 1962	33.41	9,640.52	15,420.92	3,7...
Due in 1963	16.79	9,640.52	7,072.50	2,2...
Due in 1964		2,213.71	714.43	8...
Due in 1965				
TOTAL	\$1,495.00	\$101,217.65	\$171,291.86	\$42,5...

DEBT ACCOUNTS:

	1956	1955
Broadmeadow School 1952-1972	\$ 525,000.00	\$ 560,000.00
Dwight School Addition 1951-1970	60,000.00	65,000.00
John Eliot School 1956-1974	490,000.00	520,000.00
John Eliot School Additional Loan 1956-1968	20,000.00	
Harris School Addition 1956-1973	85,000.00	90,000.00
High Rock School (O.D.L.) 1951-1971	75,000.00	80,000.00
High Rock School 1951-1971	200,000.00	215,000.00
High Rock School Addition 1953-1972	160,000.00	170,000.00
William Mitchell School 1950-1969	270,000.00	295,000.00
Junior High School 1956-1975	1,710,000.00	
Senior High School Addition 1953-1972	1,520,000.00	1,615,000.00
Senior High School, Remodeling and Reconstruction 1953-1972	70,000.00	80,000.00
Hospital Addition 1947-1967	275,000.00	300,000.00
Drains Construction 1956-1966	120,000.00	
Sewer Construction 1947-1957	19,000.00	38,000.00
Sewer Construction 1948-1958	40,000.00	60,000.00
Sewer Construction 1949-1979	115,000.00	120,000.00
Sewer Construction 1950-1959	10,000.00	15,000.00
Sewer Construction 1952-1962	90,000.00	105,000.00
Sewer Construction, Fuller Brook District 1952-1972	180,000.00	195,000.00
Sewer Construction 1953-1972	300,000.00	320,000.00
Street Construction 1946-1956		5,000.00
Street Construction 1951-1959	15,000.00	20,000.00
Street Construction 1952-1962	60,000.00	70,000.00
Street Construction 1953-1960	20,000.00	25,000.00
Street Construction 1955-1965	50,000.00	60,000.00
Street Construction 1956-1966	60,000.00	
Water Storage Tank 1950-1956		5,000.00
Water Construction, Pumping Station and Mains 1954-1959	60,000.00	80,000.00
Total Debt	\$6,599,000.00	\$5,108,000.00

TRUST FUNDS:

Martha Ann Barr Fund	\$ 500.00
Horace A. Carter Fund	1,119.08
Dwight School Fund	6,000.00
T. Otis Fuller Fund	7,000.00
Myra Greenwood Fund	12,482.11
Adeline E. Harris Fund	144.36
Mary Virginia E. Hill Fund	1,012.38
Glover Memorial Hospital Permanent Donation Fund	22,057.38
The Lyon Fund	5,000.00
Mary J. Millett Fund	8,204.28
Dr. William Mitchell Fund	598.81
Mary E. Moseley Fund	4,290.00
William G. Moseley Fund	4,566.04
Needham Cemetery Investment Fund	1,000.00
Needham Military Band, Inc. Fund	654.49
Thomas Sutton Fund	1,392.21
John B. Talman Fund	70,000.00
John B. Walke Fund	3,129.12
George E. Wye Fund	13,126.16
William H. Wye Fund	1,000.00

Total Cash and Securities \$ 163,276.42

ury List – 1956-1957

Ackerman, Roger K.	343 High Rock St.	Ins. Underwriter
Adams, Barbara B.	71 Lindbergh Ave., N.H.	Housewife
Adams, Chester P.	38 George Aggott Rd.	Accountant
Adams, John L.	36 Fairfield St.	Banker
Akers, Mary J.	47 Donna Rd., N.H.	Real Est. Broker
Anderson, John K.	30 Nevada Rd., N.H.	Draftsman
Anderson, John H.	27 Laurel Dr.	Sales Manager
Armstrong, George H.	102 Woodledge Rd.	Office Manager
Arnold, Robert H.	62 Ardmore Rd., N.H.	Compositor
Asprey, Joseph H., Jr.	68 Clarke Cir.	Prod. Engineer
Atkinson, Fred G.	155 Hillcrest Rd.	Plann. Supervisor
Ballantyne, Margaret H.	24 Newbury Pk.	Housewife
Baranick, Wilfred J.	20 Briarwood Cir., N.H.	Patent Agent
Barten, Andrew N.	31 Cleveland Rd.	Executive
Barron, Arthur H.	35 Longfellow Rd., N.H.	Emp. Counsellor
Bates, Thomas O.	5 Horace St., N.H.	Salesman
Bettencourt, George F.	136 Valley Rd.	Ins. Supervisor
Beuermann, Frank J.	134 Laurel Dr.	Sales Manager
Benzanson, Carl A.	29 Wachusett Rd.	Builder
Binney, Robert	682 Great Plain Ave.	Banker
Blake, Donald A.	67 Parker Rd., N.H.	Banker
Bliss, Willard R.	7 Whittier Rd.	Civil Engineer
Bloch, Adolph A.	117 Laurel Dr.	Foreman
Bloom, Galen A.	1281 Great Plain Ave.	Salesman
Bolinger, John	177 Great Plain Ave.	Ins. Underwriter
Bond, C. Parkhurst	65 Oak St.	Accountant
Bryant, Ruth F.	12 Enslin Rd.	Asst. Town Clerk
Burnham, Marion C.	191 Manning St.	Widow
Butler, Roland V.	52 Crescent Rd., N.H.	Insurance Agent
Buttrick, Ronald A.	227 Greendale Ave., N.H.	Office Manager
Cahill, John V.	45 Dogwood Lane	Distributor
Caisse, George W.	20 Pond St.	Druggist
Canning, Grace C.	601 Hunnewell St., N.H.	Office Clerk
Carpenter, Beatrice H.	631 Great Plain Ave.	Housewife
Casey, Vincent	133 Laurel Dr.	Salesman
Cassidy, Philip I.	45 Grosvenor Rd.	Greenskeeper
Chagnot, Albert A.	38 Mayflower Rd.	Statistician
Chamberlain, Ethel B.	95 Concord St., N.H.	Housewife
Chambers, Charles R.	93 Clarke Cir.	Engineer
Christmas, Francis X.	14 Roscoe St., N.H.	Const. Foreman
Churchill, Eva H.	17 Grant St.	Retired
Clifford, Alfred	60 Upland Rd.	Real Est. Banker
Cohn, Morris I.	43 Abbott St.	Chem. Engineer
Compton, Laurence G.	7 Emerson Place	Self-Employed
Cooney, Daniel J.	325 Greendale Ave., N.H.	Self-Employed
Cotter, Francis P.	98 Dana Place, N.H.	Shipper
Cronan, Rosi	7 Utica Rd., N.H.	Bookkeeper
Crook, William G.	249 Nehoiden St.	Sales Manager
Cutcliffe, Richard V.	137 Fairfield St.	Cable Splicer
Cutler, Ethel C.	403 Central Ave., N.H.	Saleslady
Cypfert, Thelma L.	7 Lexington Ave.	Housewife
Dale, Leonard F.	39 Abbott St.	Sales Manager
DeLeo, Felix R.	30 Sterling Rd.	Chemist
DeSimone, Joseph M., Jr.	206 Great Plain Ave.	Salesman
Dickert, Harold A.	131 Washington Ave.	Vice-President
Dimock, Grace L.	65 Henderson St.	Clerk

Dirks, Virginia B.
Donald, Harriet P.
Duckworth, Norman
Dugan, Katherine J.
Dusseault, Chester H.
Dutton, J. Frank
Dwyer, Gloria E.

Early, Roy V.
Eckberg, Estelle H.
Emmons, Maude A.
Etchings, Theodore D.

Farwell, Frank L.
Faulkner, William L.
Fay, J. Ernest
Fontaine, Henry M.

Gilfoy, A. Victor, Jr.
Gillis, Marjorie A.
Godfrey, Ruth R.
Gracey, Ernest J.
Greeley, Richard F.
Greenway, James C., Jr.
Grinspoon, Florence S.
Gudas, Harriet V.

Hall, Chester H.
Halpin, Charlotte I.
Hartwell, Marguerite J.
Haugen, Karl T.
Healey, John E.
Helmsdorff, Stanley G. H.
Holland, Gordon E.
Horner, Helen T.
Horner, William R.
Horsefield, Raymond E.
Howson, Thomas
Hughes, Robert E.
Hunt, Bessie R.
Huntley, Wells J.
Hursh, John W.

Jennings, E. Morton, Jr.
Johnson, Philip E.

Keith, Marian F.
Kelly, Charles A.
Kent, Ivan F.
Kiley, James F.
Kinne, Alan S.
Kohanek, Victoria M.
Kohr, Christine C.

Lacy, John W.
LaFlamme, Louis D.
Langille, Ronald D.
Lawrence, Olive H.
Lindenberg, Herbert A.
Lovering, David W.

33 Morningside Rd.
62 Charles River St.
153 Plymouth Rd.
46 Chestnut St.
30 Carey Rd., N.H.
546 Central Ave., N.H.
83 Hawthorne Ave.

30 Morningside Rd.
15 Prospect St.
98 Hawthorne Ave.
36 Greendale Ave.

17 Coulton Pk.
62 Yurick Rd., N.H.
148 Lindberg Ave., N.H.
17 Grosvenor Rd.

307 Hillcrest Rd.
578 Hunnewell St., N.H.
18 Rosemary St., N.H.
69 Plymouth Rd.
20 Livingston Cir.
590 Charles River St.
94 Reservoir St., N.H.
843 Great Plain Ave.

33 Lewis St.
36 Douglas Rd.
20 Pinewood Rd.
120 Wyoming Ave.
407 High Rock St.
51 Ware Rd.
122 Grosvenor Rd.
100 Marked Tree Rd.
18 Brookside Rd.
121 Prince St.
1235 Great Plain Ave.
53 Carey Road, N.H.
256 Great Plain Ave.
109 Garden St.
141 Lexington Ave., N.H.

454 Grove St.
135 Lindberg Ave., N.H.

193 Hillcrest Rd.
192 Central Ave., N.H.
25 Lincoln St.
294 Central Ave., N.H.
612 High Rock St.
56 Brookline St.
31 Fairfield St.

14 LaSalle Rd., N.H.
95 Thornton Rd.
121 Charles River St.
301 Nehoiden St.
11 Village Lane
6 Intervale Rd.

Housewife
Housewife
Civil Engineer
Antique Dealer
Manager
Real Est. Broker
Saleslady

Driving Instructor
Secretary
Saleslady
Sales Supervisor

Treasurer
Prec. Mech. Insp.
Maintenance Supt.
Salesman

Salesman
Clerk
Bookkeeper
Insurance
Engineer
Scientist
Housewife
Housewife

Salesman
Bank Clerk
At Home
Plant Engineer
Mfg. Representative
Compositor
Engineer
Housewife
Statistician
Sales Engineer
Insurance
Salesman
Housewife
Executive
Engineer

Banker
Auditor

Lady Selectman
Tech. Representative
Retired
Collector
Pharmacist
Technician
Housewife

Manager
Engineer
Service Man
Housewife
Editor
Chemist

JRY LIST—Continued

Lowney, Paul W.	52 Barbara Rd.	Hardware Mgr.
Ludwig, Carl J.	34 Berkshire Rd.	Sales Manager
Lundstedt, Erik	111 Concord St., N.H.	Tech. Consultant
Lyons, William N.	80 Douglas Rd.	Salesman
Mackinnon, N. Grant	99 Hoover Rd., N.H.	Chief Clerk
Mack, William R.	24 Dale St., N.H.	Pur. Agent
Magee, Robert L.	29 Lois Lane	Engineer
Manter, Harold D.	1055 Highland Ave., N.H.	Pharmacist
Martin, Evelyn K.	308 Webster St., N.H.	Housewife
Mastropieri, Joseph	71 Maple St.	Salesman
McAuliffe, William S.	22 Sterling Rd.	Semi-retired
McConnochie, Robert W., Jr.	130 Brookline St.	Training Assistant
McGuire, George T.	16 Emerson Place	Main. Foreman
McKenzie, George F.	18 Kenney St.	Proprietor
McLaughlin, Wallace	301 Hillcrest Rd.	Traffic Engineer
McKnight, Kenneth H.	207 Great Plain Ave.	Salesman
McNamara, Thomas C.	11 Briarwood Cir.	Publisher
Melea, Frederick	221 Great Plain Ave.	Sales Promotion
Metcalf, Josephine E.	56 Thornton Rd.	Secretary
Mills, Francis A.	338 Brookline St.	Public Relations
Mills, James J.	112 Barrett St.	Salesman
Morgan, Dayton P.	203 Fisher St.	Accountant
Morrison, Rose E.	329 Rosemary St.	Secretary
Morse, Laura V.	23 Tudor Rd.	Housewife
Morse, Robert J.	36 Dell Ave.	Real Estate
Mosher, Donald P.	1112 Greendale Ave.	Civil Engineer
Motley, Herbert J.	1051 South St.	Banker
Mulherin, James A.	181 Chestnut St.	Painter
Mullally, Eva A.	98 Bird St.	Housewife
Mullen, William J.	16 Birchwood Rd.	Specification Mgr.
Murphy, Owen D., Jr.	219 Highgate St.	Ins. Executive
Murray, Robert E.	20 Mackintosh Ave.	Res. Chemist
Nagle, David P.	21 Wyoming Ave.	Auditor
Nicol, Richard A.	80 Mann Ave.	Office Manager
Niden, Adam	28 Old Farm Rd.	Supervisor
O'Brien, James B.	49 Walnut St.	Consultant
O'Brien, William B.	1019 Greendale Ave.	Chief Accountant
O'Leary, David, Jr.	52 Longacre Rd.	Comptroller
Okland, Bertha	39 Bancroft St.	Housewife
Olinder, Robert A.	435 Dedham Ave.	Real Estate
O'Neal, James E.	9 Grant St.	Salesman
Parker, James A.	26 Alfreton Rd., N.H.	Dept. Manager
Parkinson, Sarah J.	119 Grosvenor Rd.	Housewife
Patterson, Francis I.	237 West St., N.H.	Accountant
Pedersen, Emil W.	19 Central Ave., N.H.	Auto. Mechanic
Perkins, Earle W.	50 Mt. Vernon Ave.	Elec. Designer
Peters, Frank J.	4 Longfellow Rd., N.H.	Retired
Quinn, William P.	49 Mayflower Rd.	Wool Salesman
Raeder, Arthur C.	138 Oak St.	Sales Asst. Mgr.
Rankin, Mary E.	61 Forest St.	Housewife
Rawson, Thomas W.	32 Arch St.	Salesman
Reardon, Frederick	84 Ardmore Rd., N.H.	District Rep.
Regan, William G.	24 Cleveland Rd.	Asst. Manager
Reynolds, Donald C.	53 Gayland Rd.	Funeral Director

Reynolds, Hereward A.
 Rice, Sylvia R.
 Robinson, Esther P.
 Ross, Colin M.
 Rossiter, Laurence E.
 Rowe, Morton B.
 Ruddy, John C.
 Ruhl, Frederick W.

Sacks, Mary
 Sadler, Frank B.
 Salamone, Frank P.
 Schneider, Gertrude
 Schneider, Robert L.
 Searle, Barton L.
 Sears, Herbert F.
 Sharkey, William F.
 Singleton, Lewis H.
 Slicer, J. Samuel, Jr.
 Slicer, Margaret O.
 Small, Doris B.
 Smith, Beatrice H.
 Smith, Ruth C.
 Soule, Donald T.
 Spiller, Lillian
 Squire, Louise K.
 Stevenson, James W.
 Stockel, Dorothy E.
 Strong, Arthur W.
 Sundberg, Forrest O.
 Swett, Berthale H.

Talmadge, Nelson A.
 Tarr, Charles S.
 Timson, Barry
 Tippet, Genevieve H.
 Toner, Walter J.
 Trowbridge, Aldus S.
 Trudeau, Walter E.
 Tupper, Burr E.
 Turner, Alfred T.
 Turner, Helene C.
 Twigg, George, Jr.

Vale, Valery T.
 Vertinski, Ann
 Vogel, Eugene J.

Walker, Mary G.
 Ward, Elinor H.
 Wayson, Andrew J.
 Webber, W. Winford
 Weber, Paul A.
 White, John J.
 White, Marie J.
 Willis, Elton W.
 Wingate, Ethel M.
 Woodwell, Mildred B.
 Woodworth, Miles E.

Young, Donald J.

69 Clarke Cir.
 76 Dedham Ave.
 378 Manning St.
 34 Country Way
 156 Manning St.
 615 Hunewell St., N.H.
 15 Abbott St.
 48 Richdale Rd.

101 Garden St.
 133 Green St.
 16 Stevens Rd.
 130 Highgate St.
 49 Kenney St.
 15 Mercer Rd., N.H.
 384 High Rock St.
 92 Douglas Rd.
 37 Smith St.
 46 Rybury Hillway
 46 Rybury Hillway
 20 Greendale Ave.
 263 Dedham Ave.
 45 Coulton Pk.
 81 Charles River St.
 8 James Ave., N.H.
 17 Grant St.
 46 Emerson Rd.
 1092 Central Ave.
 1062 Highland Ave., N.H.
 127 Highgate St.
 53 Mt. Vernon Ave.

161 Melrose Ave.
 12 May St.
 51 Redington Rd.
 320 Charles River St.
 42 Oakhurst Cir.
 30 Woodlawn Ave.
 12 Kent Rd.
 66 Dunster Rd.
 607 Highland Ave.
 26 Evans Rd.
 751 Webster St.

170 Highland Ave., N.H.
 14 Longacre Rd.
 56 County Way

529 High Rock St.
 19 May St.
 15 Norwich Rd.
 116 May St.
 49 Old Farm Rd.
 38 Curve St.
 25 Kenney St.
 341 Warren St.
 45 Village Lane
 47 Beaufort Ave.
 48 Woodlawn Ave.

34 Glendoon Rd.

Sales Engineer
 Housewife
 Secretary
 Self-Employed
 Reg. Sales Mgr.
 Radio Engineer
 Salesman
 Sales Representative

Housewife
 Petroleum Manager
 Gasoline Attendant
 Secretary
 Plan. Analyst
 Examiner
 Salesman
 Salesman
 Draftsman
 Engineer
 Housewife
 Housewife
 Housewife
 Housewife
 Sales Engineer
 Housewife
 Red Cross Motor Ser.
 Salesman
 Housewife
 Treasurer
 Accounting Super.
 Housewife

Invest. Banker
 Engineer
 Wool Salesman
 Housewife
 Cont. Engineer
 Elec. Engineer
 Machinist
 Asst. Prod. Mgr.
 Electronics
 Housewife
 Counselor

Salesman
 Housewife
 Contractor

Housewife
 Housewife
 Sales Manager
 Insurance
 Food Broker
 Accountant
 Housewife
 Elec. Engineer
 Housewife
 Housewife
 Engineer

Engineer

own Officers – 1956 - 1957

ELECTED

DERATOR

Harold Putnam, 1957

ELECTMEN

Marian F. Keith, 1957, Secy.

Clarke H. Wertheim, 1959

Everett C. Cross, 1958, *Chairman*

Philip F. Foss, 1958, *Vice Chairman*

Edward J. Stewart, 1957

WN CLERK

Marian S. Peterson, 1959

ESSORS

A. Sterling Holt, 1959

** Robert F. Day, 1957

Arthur H. Godfrey, 1958, *Chairman*

† David Murdock, 1957, *Secretary*

WN TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR

Arnold Mackintosh, 1959

PARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

William A. Mann, 1958

Waldo M. Hunt, 1959

Ralph L. Bixby, 1957, *Chairman*

Catherine L. Larson, 1957

W. Raymond Hewes, 1958

TOOL COMMITTEE

Dorothy A. Field, 1957

Charles E. Greene, 1958

Robert J. Granberg, 1959

Daniel H. Rider, 1958, *Chairman*

John H. Bush, 1959, *Vice Chairman*

Helen E. White, 1957

USTEES OF MEMORIAL PARK

Ronald D. Lowden, 1959

J. Norman Gledhill, Jr., 1959

Thomas J. Crossman, 1957, *Chairman*

Lester C. Huse, 1958

Alfred Wenham, 1958

USTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

Laura G. Willgoose, 1959

Arthur L. King, 1959

Fred G. Atchison, 1957

Harry W. Kimball, 1958, *Chairman*

Marion L. Johnson, 1958, *Vice Chairman*

* Helen B. Eastman, 1957

** Margaret Q. Heaps, 1957

RD OF HEALTH

Leslie B. Cutler, 1958

David E. Mann, 1959, *Chairman*

Kenneth Christophe, 1957, *Secretary*

NNING BOARD

Edward L. Bower, 1959

* George M. Wile, 1958

** Artemas P. Richardson, 1957

Edwin M. Wainwright, 1957, *Chairman*

Edward L. Hill, 1961, *Secretary*

Henry V. Perry, 1960

DHAM HOUSING AUTHORITY

Wilbar Whittemore, 1957, *Treasurer*

Howard E. Hatch, 1961 (Appointed by the State)

Ralph E. Chambers, 1959, *Chairman*

Harmon Shufro, 1958, *Vice Chairman*

Albert W. Tocci, 1961

COMMISSIONER OF TRUST FUNDS

† Roger W. Nutt, 1959

** Raymond B. Thomas, 1957

Vernal E. Kezer, 1957
Amos H. Shepherdson, 1958**BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS**

John W. McLeod, 1959

Francis W. Coburn, 1959

(Helen White is school representative to attend meetings)

Alden Eberly, 1957, *Chairman*
Frederick R. L. Wise, 1958, *Vice Chairman*
Robert J. Latham, 1958, *Secretary***CONSTABLES**

William W. Hewett, 1957

Frank J. Reinhardt, Jr., 1957

TOWN AGENTS

Marian F. Keith

Clarke H. Wertheim

Everett C. Cross
Philip F. Foster
Edward J. Stewart**MEASURER OF WOOD AND BARK**

Frederick A. Whetton

PUBLIC WEIGHERS

Neil A. Burgess

Elaine Cederval

Aurelia DeMizio

Chester Kirkpatrick

Mary Kunz

Ernest Lyons

George McCulloch

Oreste Nardone

Domenic Nigro

Richard L. Nims

Ralph T. Woodcock
Nicholas A. O'Brien, Jr.
Betty Rosenkrantz
John Trescott
Frederick A. Whetton**APPOINTED****FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Hugh Dysart, 1959

Frank L. Bridges, 1959

Fred O. J. Muzi, 1959

J. Boyd Britton, 1958

Robert W. Cherry, 1957, *Chairman*
Charles E. Downe, 1958, *Vice Chairman*
Robert W. Jensen, 1958
Eben F. Smith, 1958
John Wallace, 1958**TOWN ACCOUNTANT**

Melville W. Grant, 1958

TRUSTEES OF GLOVER MEMORIAL HOSPITALGene R. Leavitt, 1956, *Secretary*

Blake H. Field, 1956

Edwin W. L. Page, 1956

David O'Leary, Jr., 1957

Stewart Johnston, 1958, *Chairman* **
Frank Farwell, 1957, *Vice Chairman*
Cyril N. Angell, 1957
Allan M. Cate, 1957
Luella M. Hopkins, 1957**REGISTRARS OF VOTERS**

Harold S. Loudon, 1959

Marian S. Peterson, *ex-Officio*Francis J. Donahue, 1957, *Chairman*
Mary E. Fitzgerald, 1957**TOWN COUNSEL**

Henry W. Harwood

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENTLester C. Hollis, *Superintendent*

**ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND
SUPERINTENDENT OF WATER DIVISION**

Roger G. Oakman

DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS

Louis W. Wise, *Highways*

Edmund A. Symonds, *Sewers*

TOWN ENGINEER

H. Gordon Martin

DEPUTY TREE WARDEN AND MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

Robert L. Yokes

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Derwood A. Newman

AGENT FOR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Zella M. Mann

HEALTH OFFICER AND INSPECTOR OF MILK

David Moxon

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

Rose M. Mayers

UNITARY INSPECTOR AND DEPUTY INSPECTOR OF MILK

Melvin L. Zabar

RECORDER OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

Doris E. Barlow

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS AND SLAUGHTERING

Dr. Edward T. Ryan, Jr.

NUTRITIONIST

Alice H. Wagenfeld

DENTISTS (Dental Clinic)

Dr. Kurt Baum, Dr. Robert McNamara

AGENT FOR VETERAN'S AID AND PENSION AND CARE

OF SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' GRAVES • BURIAL AGENT Philip F. Greuling

QUANT OFFICER

Edward L. Wainwright

INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

Edwin D. Keys

SUBSTITUTE BUILDING INSPECTOR

H. Wesley Kent

INSPECTOR OF WIRING

Clyde E. Cookson

SUBSTITUTE INSPECTOR OF WIRING

Mowry K. Cookson

INSPECTOR OF PLUMBING

Michael Picariello

SUBSTITUTE INSPECTOR OF PLUMBING

Chester A. Bosselman

SUPERINTENDENT OF FIRE ALARM

Richard M. Salamone

PETROLEUM INSPECTOR

Richard M. Salamone

REST WARDEN

Richard M. Salamone

DEPUTY FOREST WARDENS

Carl W. Heller
 Leo E. Buckley
 J. Walter Schirmer

Charles J. Nute, J.
 Gordon F. Heal
 David E. Ma

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Frederick L. V

ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK

Ruth F. Brya

DIRECTOR OF CIVILIAN DEFENSE

Col. Frank F. Fla

DOG OFFICER

Henry W. Long

KEEPER OF LOCKUP

Thomas H. Wel

DEPUTY CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Frank J. Dermo

DEPUTY TAX COLLECTOR

Frank J. Reinhardt,

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Dorothy Brown, *Librarian*

GLOVER MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Donald R. Carmichael, *Business Manager*
 Helen I. Linane, *Superintendent of Nurses*

CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT BOARD

Under vote of Town, November 3, 1936

N. Grant McKinnon, 1958
 Roger G. Oakman, 1957

Melville W. Grant, *Accountant*

BOARD OF APPEALS

Benjamin Y. Piper, 1957, *Special Member*
 S. Gilbert Tattersall, 1957

Herbert L. Moore, 1958, *Chairman*
 Enos G. Nickerson, 1957

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE—under art. 11-12, March 19, 1951

John K. Benson, 1957, *Chairman*
 Harrison D. Schloerb, 1958, *Vice Chairman*
 Henry Grieve, 1958

Leonard D'Addesio, 1957

George W. Fallon, Jr., 1958

ANNUAL TOWN REPORT COMMITTEE

Herbert E. Thorson
 Philip Goddard
 Gardner A. Whitney
 Homer J. Dietmeier

Sidney A. Dimond, *Chairman*
 Erma N. Wi
 Winslow Cro
 George H. K
 Frederick B. Williams

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

A. Wilson Corbett
 Leonard G. Puffer

Russell Curnett, *Secretary*
 William Se

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Under Art. 62, March 20, 1950; Art. 77, March 19, 1951; Art. 110, March 17, 1952; Art. 63, March 23, 1953; Arts. 50 and 51, March 17, 1954; Art. 63 of March 28, 1955; and Art. 38, March 21, 1956 — To study needs for additional school buildings and school facilities — The same committee to continue its studies and report with its recommendations not later than the 1957 Annual Town Meeting.

Roger D. Goodwin, *Chairman, by the Moderator*

Mary S. Hazard, *Secretary, by the Selectmen*

Meyer P. White, *by the Planning Board*

Merrick P. Rawstron, *by the Taxpayers' Association*

Halbert E. Pierce, Jr., *by the Finance Committee*

T. Chesterfield Parker, *by the School Committee*

Sylvain Minault, *by the Public School Association*

Elbert S. Godfrey, *by the Moderator*

* Robert J. Granberg, *by the Moderator*

Under Art. 75, March 19, 1951 and Art. 71, March 19, 1952 — To Study Building By-Laws.

Herbert M. Johnson, *Chairman*

Louis P. Girrior

Laurent C. Roy

Clyde P. Cookson

Carl Beckonert

Under Art. 77, March 23, 1953; Arts. 59 and 63, March 17, 1954; Art. 82 of March 28, 1955; and Art. 55, March 21, 1956 — To study uses and sale of Town-owned land.

Meyer P. White, *Chairman, by the Future School Needs Committee*

Frank C. Eaton, *by the Moderator*

H. Milton Hoitt, *Secretary, by the Recreation Committee*

Eva H. Churchill, *by the Planning Board*

Arthur H. Godfrey, *by the Selectmen*

Under Art. 9, Special Town Meeting of June 15, 1953; Art. 83, March 22, 1954; Art. 80, March 28, 1955; and Art. 34, 1956 — To study problem of rubbish collection in the Town and possible Incinerator.

William H. Ganick, *Chairman*

Harold G. Donovan

Constantine J. D'Amato

Frederick L. Glover

Paul E. Keating

Under Art. 43, March 17, 1954 and Art. 62, March 23, 1955 — A committee be established to obtain plans and specifications for an "All-purpose Room" at the Harris School. Same committee authorized to construct said addition.

Walter J. Clark, *Chairman, by the Harris School Parents and Teachers Club*

Ruth Steere, *Secretary, by the School Committee*

Roswell L. Derby, *by the Finance Committee*

Leslie H. Cramer, *by the Finance Committee*

Daniel E. Baker, Jr., *by the Moderator*

Under Art. 59, March 23, 1955 and Art. 1, of Special Town Meeting, Nov. 14, 1955 — Art. 5, Special Town Meeting January 30, 1956, and Art. 36, Annual

Town Meeting, March 26, 1956 — A Committee of nine be appointed to obtain plans, specifications, working drawings and advice relative to the construction of the William F. Pollard Junior High School. Same committee authorized to construct said school.

Robert F. Day, *Chairman*
Robert J. Granberg
Halbert E. Pierce
Julius E. Haller
John W. Lebourveau

Lois A. Tattersall, *Secretary*
* Derwood A. Newm
Paul C. B.
Joseph dePas
Norton A. Goldst

Under Art 49, March 17, 1954 and Art. 5 of the Special Town Meeting, December 13, 1954. — A committee of nine be appointed to obtain plans, specifications, working drawings and advice relative to the construction of a new elementary school in the Highland Park section. Same committee authorized to construct said school.

Jerry Bond, Jr., *Chairman, by the School Committee*
William L. Burton, *by the Selectmen*
Edward L. Bottum, *by the Needham Taxpayers' Association*
William N. Gottsman, Jr., *by the Finance Committee*
Karl T. Haugen, *by the Public School Association*
Asna Aronie, *by the Moderator*
Walter D. Leach, Jr., *by the Moderator*
Liberio Petrini, *by the Moderator*
Louise Ludlow, *Secretary, by the Planning Board*

Under Art. 36, March 23, 1955 and Art. 32, 1956 — A Town Garage Committee
Theodore N. Graser, *Chairman*
Frederick A. Whetton
Robert L. Woodbury

Claude R. LaPlante, *Secretary*
William N. Au

Under Art. 14, Special Town Meeting, Nov. 14, 1955; and Art. 5, March 21, 1956 — Committee to negotiate with the City of Newton and bidders for the New Water Lands lying in the Town of Needham.

Henry D. Hersey, *Chairman, Representing Recess Commission*
Everett C. Cross, *Secretary, Board of Selectmen*
Edward J. Stewart, *Board of Selectmen*
Philip F. Foss, *Board of Selectmen*
Clarke Wertheim, *Board of Selectmen*
Marian Keith, *Board of Selectmen*
Harold Putnam, *Town Moderator*
Henry W. Hardy, *Town Counsel*

* George M. Wile, *Representing Planning Board*

** Edward I. Bower

Alden Eberly, *Representing Special Parks and Recreation Committee*
Herbert L. Dodge, *Representing Charles River Lands Committee*
Charles E. Downe, *Representing Finance Committee*

Art. 33 of 1956. — Committee to establish temporary headquarters in Needham for National Guard.

Howard Hatch, *Chairman*
Joseph Tomaino, *Commander, American Legion*
Tom Marsili, *Commander, Veterans of Foreign Wars*

Article 58, March 19, 1956. — A committee of five to be appointed to study the advisability of Town Manager or Executive Secretary form of town government.

Daniel E. Baker, Jr., *Chairman*

Charles D. Bell

Everett C. Cross

Barbara W. Fay, *Secretary*

Rodney Harris, Jr.

Art. 82 of 1956. — Committee on Saturday Town Meetings.

Cyril N. Angell

John M. Bailey

Sidney Stewart

Albert E. Hunter

Eleanor R. Bixby

Art. 5 of Special Town Meeting, October 1, 1956. — Town Water Committee.

Augustus R. Rogowski, *Chairman*—Precinct 2 George E. Perham—Precinct 3

Roger G. Oakman

Andrew J. Kelly—Precinct 4

Elmer H. Everett—Precinct 1

Harry Martin—Precinct 5

Augustus R. Rogowski—Precinct 2

Dr. Kenneth Christophe—Precinct 6

ceased * Resigned ** Appointed to fill vacancy *** Resigned, December, 1956

Town Meeting Members

MEMBERS AT LARGE

RY, ROBERT W.
S, EVERETT C.
ER, LESLIE B.
PHILIP F.
FREY, ARTHUR H.
DY, HENRY W.
H, MARIAN F.
KINTOSH, ARNOLD
N, DAVID E.
RSON, MARIAN S.
AM, HAROLD
R, DANIEL H.
ART, EDWARD J.
HEIM, CLARKE H.
WRIGHT, EDWIN M.

Finance
Selectman
Senator
Selectman
Assessor
Town Counsel
Selectman
Treasurer
Board of Health
Town Clerk
Moderator
School Committee
Selectman
Selectman
Planning Board



H. PUTNAM

PRECINCT 1

Expiration 1957
ey, Katherine R.
, William H.
t, Elmer H.
a, Clayton L.
illan, Nancy E.
n, James H.
y, Thomas J.
rd, Ridgley G.
J. Harold
e, John
y, Carleton F.
Beatrice A.

Expiration 1958
Adams, Mary Dorcas
Alexander, Norman E.
Bush, John H.
Caulton, Frederick M.
Crabtree, H. Kent
Gay, William H.
Hewes, W. Raymond
Rawstron, Merrick P.
Twigg, Julia B.
Wise, Frederick R. L.

Expiration 1959
Bartlett, F. Parker, Jr.
Benson, John K.
Bixby, Ralph L.
Brett, Frank W.
Churchill, Eva H.
Cramer, Harold Leslie
Holt, A. Sterling
Latham, Robert J.
Mann, William A.
Powers, James Hugh
Richwagen, Victor L.

PRECINCT 2*Expiration 1957*

Baker, Daniel E., Jr.
 Bidle, Sanford T.
 Chamberlin, Betty-Jane D.
 Copeland, Bradley E.
 Davis, Richard A.
 Dolan, John Barr
 Fleming, Stephen J., Jr.
 Hardin, Milton B.
 Hughes, Joseph T.
 Packard, Charles A.
 Paige, Percy H.
 Reed, Malcolm B.
 Schneider, Robert L.
 Shields, J. Marshall
 Slicer, J. Samuel, Jr.
 Weaver, T. Ray
 Wile, George M.

Expiration 1958

Cassidy, William S.
 Chisholm, Clarence J.
 Clark, Walter J.
 Cowdrey, Irving H.
 Hunt, Waldo M.
 Hunter, Albert E.
 Kezer, Vernal E.
 Loomis, Samuel
 Moore, Herbert L.
 Page, Edwin W. L.
 Page, Harold A.
 Sanborn, James K.
 Tattersall, S. Gilbert
 Welch, Thomas H.

Expiration 1959

Ackroyd, J. Roland
 Angell, Cyril N.
 Blaisdell, Harold L.
 Chambers, Ralph E.
 Coburn, Francis W.
 Cruickshank, James E.
 Eaton, Donald A.
 Granberg, Robert J.
 Hersey, Henry D.
 Murdoch, David
 Nye, Loring C.
 Steere, Ruth E.
 Winslow, Gordon B.

PRECINCT 3*Expiration 1957*

Gledhill, J. Norman, Jr.
 Gordon, Meyer J.
 Harkins, J. Frederick
 Johnson, Marcel E.
 Johnston, Stewart B.
 Motley, Herbert J.
 Nelson, Vernon O.
 Perkins, R. Forbes
 Perry, Rebecca H.
 Pierce, Halbert E., Jr.
 Preble, Julia M.
 Summers, James G.
 Thomas, Roby S.
 Williams, Frederic B., Jr.

Expiration 1958

Austin, William M.
 Bettencourt, George F.
 Britton, J. Boyd
 Daniels, A. Richards
 Davis, Edward L., Jr.
 Dunn, Edward W. Y.
 Elliott, Byron K.
 Farwell, Frank L.
 Guild, Henry R.
 Ladd, Charles H.
 McIntosh, Charles B.
 Nealand, G. Edward
 Whiting, Elizabeth K.
 Wyeth, Stimson

Expiration 1959

Bailey, Andrew C.
 Bridges, Frank L.
 Christophe, Kenneth
 Eaton, Frances B.
 Hardy, Jessie L.
 Heald, Henry M.
 Kimball, Robert H., Jr.
 King, Arthur L.
 Larson, N. Henry
 Leach, Walter D., Jr.
 March, Roland C., Jr.
 Perry, Henry V.
 Rawstron, Stanley
 Ryerson, Wendell E.

PRECINCT 4*Expiration 1957*

Allen, Howard F.
 Clark, Joseph W.
 Cuddy, Howard W.
 Eaton, Howard A.
 Fletcher, Ruth N.
 Ganick, William H.
 Gatto, Victor E.
 Harkins, John F.
 Healey, Gordon F.
 McKinlay, J. Allan
 Neilson, George A., Jr.
 Sanders, Richard B.
 Walker, Lawrence D.
 Wheeler, Harold G., Jr.
 White, Helen E.

Expiration 1958

Bosworth, Raymond F.
 Burnham, Richard D.
 Burr, Harold L.
 Chase, Clarence E.
 Clarke, Ada Phelps
 Cookson, Clyde E.
 Dussault, Clarence E.
 Eberly, Alden
 Field, Blake H.
 Godfrey, Elbert S.
 Hall, W. Bigelow
 King, Robert N.
 Leavitt, Gene R.
 Page, Robert W.
 Rising, Philip D.

Expiration 1959

Bell, Theodore P.
 Bennett, Joel H.
 Crossman, Thomas J.
 Day, Robert F.
 Eaton, Francis C.
 Eaton, Laurence E.
 Glover, Frederic L.
 Lowden, Ronald D.
 McIntosh, Allan D.
 Newman, Derwood A.
 Stewart, Sidney
 Wainwright, Edwin M.
 Willgoose, Dorathea M.
 Willgoose, Laura G.

PRECINCT 5*Expiration 1957*

Aronie, Asna
 Baranick, Wilfred J.
 Barton, James M.
 Bloch, Adolph A.
 Blondell, Roy L.

Expiration 1958

Anderson, Elizabeth E.
 Bailey, John M.
 Benson, Walter L.
 Bloh, Paul T.
 Bottum, Edward L.

Expiration 1959

Atkinson, Winnifred C.
 Carpenger, Charles A.
 Chalue, Robert W.
 Coppinger, John W.
 Friswell, Archibald W.

PRECINCT 5—continued*Expiration 1958*

Expiration 1957
 own, Dawson L.
 ssidy, W. Ansel
 nnor, Arthur C.
 cson, Harding S.
 zgerald, William
 Ford, Edward A.
 nson, Arthur F.
 rrisson, Ronald L.
 azi, Frederick O. J.
 wman, Edward G.

Caulton, Lawrence G.
 Eaton, D. Kent, Jr.
 Hoitt, H. Milton
 Ludlow, William B., Jr.
 March, Roland C.
 Marriott, William H.
 Mason, Eleanor A.
 Revere, Paul
 Vincent, Harold T.
 Whitehead, William E.

Expiration 1959

Greuling, Philip K.
 Hallein, Edward E.
 Henderson, Daniel C.
 McLeod, John W.
 Martin, Harry
 Osborne, Lawrence D., Jr.
 Richwagen, Donald B.
 Sparkes, Thomas H.
 Spicer, Charles E.
 Taylor, John F., Jr.

PRECINCT 6*Expiration 1958*

Expiration 1957
 ppinger, William P.
 Pasqua, Joseph
 uglas, Paul G.
 nt, Carl A.
 aser, Theodore N.
 mburger, Victoria D.
 rris, Rodney, Jr.
 l, Harry R.
 ckinnon, N. Grant
 wley, Leonard W.
 ith, Myron E.
 nley, Edgar S.
 vens, Ritchie L.
 ndsen, Harold
 odbury, Robert L.

Atchinson, Fred G.
 Bennett, Pierce B.
 Burton, William L.
 Eaton, Henry W.
 Fedel, Julius T.
 Firth, Herbert W.
 Frost, Fred L.
 Greene, Charles E.
 Henderson, Arthur T.
 Husbands, Munroe
 Linscott, Paul H.
 Sayce, Edward G.
 Skinner, Ernest T.
 Stanwood, Francis E.
 Talmadge, Nelson A.

Expiration 1959

Bell, Charles D.
 Burnham, Henry A.
 Claxton, Philip H.
 Cotter, John E.
 Fay, Norman F.
 Frykberg, Conrad S.
 Goodwin, Roger D.
 Hamburger, Amos
 Holt, R. Ashley
 Humphrey, Gorham W.
 Loomis, Aaron A.
 Mann, Frederic S.
 Nickerson, Enos G.
 Salamone, Richard M.
 Small, Asa M.

FIRE ALARM BOXES

(This is an official list of fire alarm boxes as provided by the Fire Department. The event of a fire the alarm sounds the first number of the box followed by a pause, followed by the next number of the box, and so on. Thus an alarm from box 12, Needham Square, would sound: BLAST. Pause. TWO BLASTS. Keep this list handy for ready reference!)

12 Great Plain Ave.—Chestnut St.

21 Chapel St.

22 Junior High School—
 Highland Ave.

23 Highland Ave.—May Street

31 Saint Joseph School—
 Pickering St.

24 Stephen Palmer School—
 Pickering St.

41 Benj. Moseley Co.—
 1329 Highland Ave.

25 Great Plain Ave.—Pickering St.

26 Warren St.—May St.

27 Senior High School—Webster St.

128 Kingsbury St.—Warren St.

13 Dedham Ave.—Harris Ave.

131 Great Plain Ave.—Warren St.

1311 Baptist Church—Great Plain Ave.

*1312 155 Fair Oaks Park

*1313 83 Fair Oaks Park

*1314 25 Fair Oaks Park

132 Nursing Home—145 Warren St.

133 Dedham Ave.—Webster St.

*1331 Webster St.—Howland St.

134 Webster St.—Cleveland Rd.

135 Great Plain Ave.—Webster St.

136 Webster St.—May St.

- * 137 Webster St.—Holland St.
- 14 Chestnut St.—School St.
- 141 Glover Hospital—Chestnut St.
- *1412 86 Lincoln St.
- * 142 Chestnut St.—Oak St.
- 143 Chestnut St.—Marsh Rd.
- * 144 School St.—Grant St.
- 145 Grant St.—Kimball St.
- 146 Pleasant St.—Kimball St.
- *1461 Somerville Knitting Co.—Pleasant St.
- 147 Warren St.—Kimball St.
- 148 Dedham Ave.—Lincoln St.
- 15 Maple St.—Oak St.
- 151 Great Plain Ave.—Glendoon Rd.
- 152 Linden St.—Maple Terrace
- * 153 Linden St.—Poplar St.
- * 154 Fairview Rd.—Overlook Rd.
- * 155 Henderson St.—Oakcrest Rd.
- * 156 Henderson St.—Walnut St.
- 157 Henderson St.—Oak St.
- *1571 Willow St.—Oak St.
- 158 Sylvan Rd.
- 159 High Rock School—Sylvan Rd.
- 16 Great Plain Ave.—Marshall St.
- 161 Nehoiden St.—Washburn Ave.
- * 162 Nehoiden St.—Lewis St.
- 163 Newell Ave.—Prospect St.
- 164 Nehoiden St.—Rosemary St.
- *1641 Nardone Rd.
- 165 Garden St.—May St.
- * 166 34 Prospect St.
- * 17 Great Plain Ave.—Marked Tree Rd.
- 171 Marked Tree Rd.—Curve St.
- 172 Great Plain Ave.—Oak Knoll Terrace
- 1721 Abbott St.—Border Rd.
- * 173 542 High Rock St.
- 174 Marked Tree Rd.—High Rock St
- *1741 Barrett St.—Francis St.
- 1742 Deerfield St.—Barrett St.
- * 175 Marked Tree Rd.—Oakcrest Rd.
- * 176 High Rock St.—Central Ave.
- 177 Avalon Rd.—Bonwood Rd.
- * 178 Bellvue Rd.—Bonwood Rd.
- 21 Needham Heights Square
- 212 Carters Mill No. 1 Highland A
- *2121 McGregor Inst. Co.—Heights
- 2122 Carters Factory—Highland Av
- 213 Whetttons Oil Co.—West St.
- *2131 Hillside Ave.—West St.
- 214 Highland Ave.—Dana Place
- 215 Highland Ave.—Rosemary St.
- * 216 Ludlow Mfg. & Sales—Rosemary St.
- * 217 Carey Rd.
- * 218 Morton St.
- 223 Hillside Ave.—Dale St.
- 2231 Carter Box Factory—Hillside A
- 2232 Forte Dupee & Sawyer—Easy
- 2233 Needham Mfg. Co.—Hillside A
- 224 Rosemary St.—Near Lake
- 2241 Tillotson Rubber Co.—Rosemary St.
- 225 Old Trusty Factory—West St
- 226 West St.—Near Old Trusty
- 227 West St.—Dale St.
- * 228 Parish Rd.—Pershing St.
- 23 Highland Ave.—Hunnewell St
- 231 Union St.—Crescent Rd.
- 232 Hillside Ave.—Hunnewell St.
- 233 Gabriel Lab.—Crescent Rd.
- *2331 124 Crescent Rd.
- *2332 Simons Knitting Mill—Crescent Rd.
- 234 Hunnewell St.—Near Brookline Rug
- *2341 Brookline Rug Co.—Hunnewell
- * 235 Hunnewell St.—Lester St.
- 24 Greenough St.—Pine Grove S
- * 241 Hillside Ave.—Avery St.

RE ALARM BOXES—Continued

- 12 Wayne Rd.—Pine Grove St.
- 42 Hillside Ave.—Webster St.
- 49 Wellesley Conv. Childrens Hospital
- 25 Hunnewell St.—Mark Lee Rd.
- 51 Carter School—Highland Ave.
- 11 Avery School—Highland Ave.
- 52 Highland Ave.—Webster St.
- 53 Greendale Ave.—Park Ave.
- 54 High St.—Webster St.
- 41 Nursing Home—384 Webster St.
- 42 Needham Conv. Home—Alfreton Rd.
- 55 Mark Lee Rd.—Webster St.
- 56 Greendale Ave.—High St.
- 57 Greendale Ave.—Kendricks St
- 26 Mellen St.
- 61 Webster St.—Rosemary St.
- 12 Wm. Gorse Co.—Thorpe Rd.
- 62 Webster St.—Lindbergh Ave.
- 63 LaSalle Rd.—Manning St.
- 64 Hoover Rd.
- 65 Lexington Ave.—Manning St.
- 66 Burnside Rd.—Concord St.
- 67 Bennington St.
- 67 130 Lindbergh Ave.
- 71 Lindbergh Ave.—Paul Revere Rd
- 11 135 Tower Ave.
- 62 Dunster Rd.
- 63 Dartmouth Ave.
- 64 Richdale Rd.
- 62 Greendale Ave.—Paul Revere Rd.
- 63 Tower Ave.—Paul Revere Rd.
- 64 Tower Ave.—Lexington Ave.
- 65 Parker Rd.—Virginia Rd.
- 66 Parker Rd.—Nevada Rd.
- 8 Wm. Mitchell School—Brookline St.
- 1 Brookline St.—Bancroft St.
- 2 Brookline St.—Colgate Rd.
- 3 Brookline St.—Greendale Ave.
- 31 Central Ave.—Webster St.
- * 311 Roscoe St.—Horace St.
- *3111 John St.
- 3112 John Eliot School—Wellesley Ave.
- 312 Elder Rd.
- * 313 Central Ave.—Parkland Rd.
- 314 120 Central Ave.
- 315 Hampton Ave.—Crawford St.
- 3155 A.C.E. Transportation Co.—Gould St.
- 3156 Perkins Milton Co.—Permil Rd.
- * 316 295 Reservoir Street to End
- 32 Reservoir St.—Central Ave.
- 321 Reservoir St.—Carter St.
- 3212 Morschner Dye Works
- * 322 Reservoir Ave.
- * 325 Sherman St.—St. Mary St.
- * 326 73 Saint Mary St.
- *3261 Church St.—Route 9
- 34 Mills Rd.—Sachem Rd.
- * 341 Highland Ave.—Utica Rd.
- *3412 Waltons Factory, Highland Ave.
- * 342 Highland Ave. at Over Pass
- *3421 Hunting Rd.—David Rd.
- *3422 Woodbine Circle—Fay Lane
- 343 279 Highland Ave.
- 3431 Pickard & Burns—Highland Ave.
- 344 Highland Ave. at Newton Line
- *3441 Highland Circle
- *3442 Riverside St.
- * 345 Highland Ter.—Highview St.
- * 346 Fremont St.—Charles St.
- 3461 Wexford St.
- 3462 Anderson Machine—Brook Rd.
- * 347 New England Industrial Center
- 351 Bigelow Dowse, 2nd Ave.
- *3511 R. H. Whites, B Street
- *3512 Boston Edison Co., 2nd Ave.
- *3513 Comfort Spring Corp., A Street
- 3514 Goodrich Tire Co., 2nd Ave.

- 3515 Pilgrim Clothing, 2nd Ave.
†3516 _____
352 Farrington Mfg. Co., A Street
3521 Atlas Plywood Corp., A Street
3522 H. A. Whittemore Co., A Street
3523 R.C.A. Laboratories, A St.
3524 Sharpe & Dohme, A St.
3525 General Tire Co., A St.
353 Abbott Laboratories, A Street
3531 Kelly Springfield Tire Co.
†3532 _____
354 Kraft Foods Co., A Street
3541 Sandler Shoe, B St.
3542 Goodyear Rubber Co.—B St.
* 355 American Can Co., B Street
3551 American Motors Corp., 3rd Ave.
3552 Filenes, 3rd Ave.
†3553 _____
†3554 _____
356 Singer Sewing Machine Co., 1st Ave.
†3561 _____
†3562 _____
357 Union Carbide & Car. Corp., 1st Ave.
† 358 _____
† 359 _____
* 36 Kendricks St. At Over Pass
* 361 Kendricks St.—Newton Line
* 362 Hunting Rd.—Near Kendricks St.
* 363 New Rt. 128 nr. High Ave. Over Pass
41 Great Plain Ave.—Manning St.
412 Parkinson St.—Manning St.
* 413 Hemlock St.—Manning St.
414 Brookline St.—Manning St.
415 Otis St.—Woodlawn Ave.
416 Powers St.—Woodlawn Ave.
417 Melrose Ave.—Page Rd.
42 Bradford St.—Harris Ave.
421 Mayo Ave.
4212 Stevens Rd.
*4213 Harris Ave.—Stevens Rd.
*4214 Glenwood Rd.—Bradford St.
422 Pinewood Rd.
*4221 Eaton Rd.
4222 Coolidge Ave.
*4223 Harris Ave.—Prince St.
423 Prince St.
4231 Plymouth Rd.
4232 Harris Ave.—Plymouth Rd.
424 Harris Ave.—Coulton Park
425 Wilshire Park
*4251 Harris Ave.—Wilshire Park
426 Great Plain Ave.—Beaufort Av.
427 Harris School—Beaufort Ave.
* 428 Nichols Rd.—Beaufort Ave.
43 Great Plain Ave.—Melrose Av.
431 Greenwood Ave.
432 Ellicott St.—Sargent St.
* 433 Powers St.—Melrose Ave.
* 434 Great Plain Ave.—
Great Plain Ter.
435 Washington Ave.—Nichols Rd.
* 436 Washington Ave.—Holmes St.
437 Hawthorne Ave.—Nichols Rd.
438 Hawthorne Ave.—
Washington Ave.
441 Great Plain Ave.—Hillcrest R.
*4412 Hillcrest Rd.—Ingleside Rd.
442 Newbury Pk.—Ridgeway Ave.
*4421 56 Ridgeway Ave.
443 Birds Hill Ave.—Ingleside Rd.
444 Hillcrest Rd.—Birds Hill Ave.
445 Hillcrest Rd.—At Stand Pipe
*4451 Morningside Rd.
*4452 68 Wachusetts Rd.
4453 Hillcrest Rd.—Highgate St.
4454 Woodledge Rd.—Arch St.
4455 Colby St.—Fairfax Rd.
*4456 Falcon St.—Bond St.
*4457 Savoy Rd.—Edwardel Rd.

RE ALARM BOXES—Continued

- 38 361 Hillcrest Rd.
- 46 Birds Hill Ave.—Thornton Rd.
- 32 47 Thornton Rd.
- 5 Grosvenor Rd.—Broadmeadow Rd.
- 51 Greendale Ave.—Bird St.
- 2 Greendale Ave.—Grosvenor Rd.
- 3 Greendale Ave.—
Broadmeadow Rd.
- 4 Kenney St.
- 2 Broadmeadow Rd.—Bird St.
- 1 Broadmeadow School—
Broadmeadow
- 3 Highgate St.—Rybury Hillway
- 1 Hollis Rd.—Altha Rd.
- 2 Woodbury Rd.—Audrey Ave.
- 3 Helen Rd.—Ina Rd.
- 6 Great Plain Ave.—Green St.
- 1 Greendale Ave. at R. R. Bridge
- 1 Great Plain Ave.—Berkshire Rd.
- 2 Intervale Rd.—Norwich Rd.
- 3 Valley Rd.—Peacedale Rd.
- 4 Fairfield St.—Mann Ave.
- 5 New Rt. 128 nr. Great Plain Ave.
Over Pass
- 6 Sterling Rd.—Peacedale Rd.
- 2 Great Plain Ave.—South St.
- 1 Whittier Rd.—Fuller Rd.
- 2 Whittier Rd.—Elmwood Rd.
- 3 Douglas Rd.
- 4 Tabor School—Greendale Ave.
- 5 Old Farm Rd.—Longacre Rd.
- South St.—Lawton Rd.
- Greendale Ave.—Hamlin Lane
- St. Bartholomews Church—
Greendale Ave.
- South St.—Green St.
- Parkvale Rd.—Norman Rd.
- Lawton Rd.
- Green St.
- George Aggott Rd.—Dedham Ave.
- Dedham Ave.—South St.
- 472 Livingston Circle—Churchill Lane
- 51 Norfolk St.—Webster St.
- 512 South St.—Webster St.
- *5121 410 South St.
- *5122 South St.—High Rock St.
- 513 Laurel Dr. North
- 514 Warren St.—Gayland Rd.
- 515 Laurel Dr.—South
- * 516 Gayland Rd.
- * 517 Warren St.—Redington Rd.
- 518 Redington Rd.
- * 52 Chestnut St.—Emerson Rd.
- 521 Chestnut St.—High Rock St.
- *5212 P. D. Home—P. C. Cabot,
Chestnut St.
- * 522 High Rock St.—R. R. Bridge
- 523 Chestnut St.—South St.
- *5231 660 South St.
- *5232 770 Chestnut St.
- *5233 A. Williams—920 South St.
- *5234 R. F. Perkins—980 South St.
- *5235 L. B. Cutler—1010 South St.
- 524 High Rock St.—Robinwood Ave.
- *5241 Linden St.—Summit Rd.
- 5242 Murphy Rd.—Yurick Rd.
- * 53 1133 South St.
- *5312 H. R. Guild—1150 South St.
- *5313 L. Brace—1184 South St.
- *5314 M. Beebe—1242 South St.
- 54 Charles River St.—South St.
- 541 Charles River St.—Moseley Ave.
- *5412 Wilson's Lane
- *5413 Bleachery—South St., C. R.
- 542 Walker Gordon Dairy Barns C. R.
- 543 Central Ave.—Fisher St.
- 544 Central Ave.—Charles River St.
- *5441 Country Way—Village Lane
- 545 Walker Children's Home
- * 546 Oxbow Rd.
- * 61 Central Ave.—Marked Tree Rd.
- * 612 1543 Central Ave.

FIRE ALARM BOXES—Continued

- * 613 Central Ave.—Pine St.
62 Mayflower Rd.
- * 621 Stockdale Rd.
- * 622 Pilgrim Rd.
- * 623 Powder House Rd.
- * 63 Charles River St.—Pine St.
- * 631 464 Charles River St.
- *6312 Bradley's—461 Charles River St.
- *6313 R. G. Foster—484 Charles River St.
- *6314 C. H. W. Foster—
506 Charles River St.
64 Grove St.—Charles River St.
- * 641 Charles River St.—
at Pumping Station
- *6412 Forbes—Scott—
636 Charles River St.
- * 642 Grove St.—Wellesley Line
- *6421 Sabrina Farm—Grove St.
- * 65 Cartwright Rd.
71 Great Plain Ave.—Central Ave.
711 Great Plain Ave.—North Hill Rd.
712 1584 Great Plain Ave.
713 1740 Great Plain Ave.
- * 714 Babson Park—Great Map Rd.
- * 715 Great Plain Ave.—Wellesley Line
72 Glendale Rd.—Forest St.
721 Central Ave.—Nehoiden St.
722 Dwight School—Central Ave.
- * 723 Glendale Rd.—Clark Rd.
- *7231 Clark Rd.
- *7232 Clark Circle
73 Central Ave.—Forest St.
- * 731 Rolling Lane
- * 732 Brookside Rd.—Wellesley Line
- * 735 Jarvis Circle
- * 74 Central Ave.—West St.
741 Central Ave.—Booth St.
75 Central Ave.—Hunnewell St.
- * 751 398 Central Ave.

- * 752 Hunnewell St.—Wellesley Line
- * 753 Grasmere Rd.—Taylor St.
- * 754 Ardmere Rd.
- * 755 Briarwood Circle
- * 76 Wellesley Ave.
- * 761 Cedar St.
9 Rosemary Beach

MUTUAL AID

(One Round)

Needham Goes To:

- 811 Newton
- 812 Wellesley
- 813 Dover
- 814 Westwood
- 815 Dedham
- 816 Boston
- 817 Other Communities

2-2 and box number calls Newton.

3-3 and box number calls Wellesley

SPECIAL SIGNALS

Four blows and one round of box number calls Engine 1 or 3.

Five blows and one round of box number calls Engine 2 or Engine 4.

Two blows—Fire out.

Second Alarm—two blows followed box.

Third Alarm—three blows followed box.

1-2-3-4—two rounds—All Police report

22 three rounds—No School Signal

44 two rounds—Emergency Call.

666 American Legion, Assemble.

777 Veterans of Foreign Wars, Assemble

8 Public Works Dept. Highway Employees.

10 two rounds—Boy Scouts.

Test Blow—One Blow at 8:45 a.m.

*Alarm may be sounded **only** from Fire Headquarters.

†Boxes reserved for Industrial Center; location not yet assigned.

At Your Service

EMERGENCY NUMBERS	AMBULANCE	NE 3-1700
	FIRE	NE 3-0142
	HOSPITAL	NE 3-2803
	POLICE	NE 3-1700
	CIVIL DEFENSE	NE 3-5100

For information on	Call	At
Assessments	Assessors	NE 3-5100
Bicycle Licenses	Police	NE 3-1700
Bills and Accounts	Accountant	NE 3-5100
Birth Certificates	Town Clerk	NE 3-5100
Building Permits	Inspections Dept.	NE 3-5100
Civil Defense		NE 3-5100
Death Certificates	Town Clerk	NE 3-5100
Dog Licenses	Town Clerk	NE 3-5100
Dogs — Lost and Found	Dog Officer	NE 3-0683-M
Draft Board	Draft Board #119	WE 5-2611
Elections	Town Clerk	NE 3-5100
	Nights, Sundays and Holidays	NE 3-5265
Engineering	Public Works Dept.	NE 3-5100
Entertainment Licenses	Selectmen	NE 3-5100
Fire Permits	Fire Dept.	NE 3-0142
Fishing, Hunting, Trapping Licenses	Town Clerk	NE 3-5100
Forestry	Public Works Dept.	NE 3-5100
Fuel Oil Storage	Fire Dept.	NE 3-0142
Garbage Collection	Board of Health	NE 3-5100
Glover Memorial Hospital	Hospital	NE 3-5600
Health	Board of Health	NE 3-5100
Library	Public Library	NE 3-0087
	Branch Library	NE 3-1104
Lights, Street	Public Works Dept.	NE 3-5100
Marriage Licenses and Certificates	Town Clerk	NE 3-5100
Milk Inspection	Board of Health	NE 3-5100
Mortgages, Personal Property	Town Clerk	NE 3-5100
Mosquito Control	Public Works Dept.	NE 3-5100
Playgrounds and Recreation	Recreation Director	NE 3-0356
Schools	School Dept.	NE 3-4100
Selectmen	Selectmen	NE 3-5100
Sewers	Public Works Dept.	NE 3-5100
Streets	Public Works Dept.	NE 3-5100
Tax Assessments	Assessors	NE 3-5100
Tax Collections	Tax Collector	NE 3-5100
Town Hall	Custodian	NE 3-5100
Veterans	Veterans' Service Dept.	NE 3-2440
Veterans' Housing	Veterans' Housing Authority	NE 3-3011
Voting and Registration	Board of Registrars	NE 3-5100
Water	Public Works Dept.	NE 3-5100
Welfare	Public Welfare Dept.	NE 3-5100
Wiring	Inspections Dept.	NE 3-5100
Zoning	Inspections Dept.	NE 3-5100

EXPENSE NO.	DATE	VENDOR	AUDITED BILLS
SE VOUCHER R NO.			
1.21	JAN 24 56	HEIGHTS HDWE STORE	1.60
1.22	JAN 24 56	FB F DONOHUE A D CO	19.38
1.23	JAN 24 56	BOSTON JANITORS SUPP CO INC	38.01
1.24	JAN 24 56	HAWKINS-WALKER CO	2.24
2.77	JAN 31 56	W T COLPITTS INC	151.8
4.46	FEB 7 56	G & S PAPER CO INC	41.65
4.47	FEB 7 56	HEIGHTS HARDWARE STORE	2.55
4.48	FEB 7 56	CROSSMAN'S MARKET INC	8.97
4.49	FEB 7 56	COMPTON'S COLOR CTRE	2.62
6.86	FEB 14 56	PARIS CLEANSERS & DYERS	2.75
6.87	FEB 14 56	H S LOCKE & SON COMPANY	13.56
6.88	FEB 14 56	THE SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO	11.10
6.89	FEB 14 56	ALLEN HARDWARE COMP Y	13.51
6.90	FEB 14 56	BOSTON EDISON COMPANY	107.67
6.91	FEB 14 56	WHETTON'S OIL COMP A Y	146.26
6.92	FEB 14 56	WHETTON'S OIL COMPANY	140.40
6.93	FEB 14 56	TOWN OF NEEDHAM	43.68
9.08	FEB 20 56	BOSTON JANITORS SUPP CO INC	12.67
9.09	FEB 20 56	BOSTON EDISON COMPANY	138.50
10.04	FEB 28 56	BOSTON JANITORS SUPPLY CO	25.90
14.52	MAR 13 56	ALLEN HARDWARE COMPANY	2.46
14.53	MAR 13 56	WHETTON'S OIL COMPANY	259.47
20.42	APR 3 56	W T COLPITTS INC	13.08
22.47	APR 10 56	HEIGHTS HARDWARE STORE	19.50
22.48	APR 10 56	ALLEN HARDWARE COMPANY	4.07
22.49	APR 10 56	M D STETSON COMPANY	18.12
22.50	APR 10 56	WHETTON'S OIL COMPANY	341.42
24.40	APR 17 56	FRANKLIN RESEARCH DIS INC	136.50
24.41	APR 17 56	DURO-TEST CORPORATION	25.93
27.21	APR 24 56	W T COLPITTS INC	1.04
27.22	APR 24 56	G & S PAPER CO INC	15.72
27.23	APR 24 56	BOSTON EDISON COMPANY	225.50
APR 2		APPROPRIATION	
29.84	MAY 1 56	BOSTON JANITORS SUPP CO	25.90
29.85	MAY 1 56	TOWN OF NEEDHAM	24.38
31.93	MAY 8 56	WHETTON'S OIL COMP NY	202.81
31.94	MAY 8 56	ALLEN HARDWARE COMPANY	17.69
31.95	MAY 8 56	HEIGHTS HARDWARE	6.92
31.96	MAY 8 56	BOSTON JANITORS SUPPLY CO	38.54
34.03	MAY 15 56	THE SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO	15.20
36.68	MAY 22 56	BARBER-COLMAN COMPANY	277.84
41.25	JUN 5 56	G & S PAPER CO INC	38.00
41.26	JUN 5 56	M D STETSON COMPANY	40.85
42.91	JUN 12 56	HUMPHREY'S SERVICE	1.68
42.92	JUN 12 56	W R VARSILLI	68.46

TOWN OF NEEDHAM

TOWN CLERK'S RECORDS

OF THE

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

January 30, 1956

AND

ANNUAL ELECTION OF

TOWN OFFICERS

March 5, 1956

AND

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

March 19, 1956



NEEDHAM TIMES

1956

RECORD OF THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Monday, January 30, 1956

Pursuant to a warrant signed by the Selectmen on January 14, 1956, the Inhabitants of the Town of Needham qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs met in the Senior High School in said Town on January 30, 1956 at 7:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

The checkers appointed by the Selectmen were sworn to the faithful performance of their duties by the Town Clerk.

Check lists were used and 450 voters were checked on the list as being present. There were 220 Town Meeting members present.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by the Moderator, Harold Putnam. The Rev. Russell Bletzer offered a prayer for the guidance of town meeting members.

Following this the call to the meeting and the officer's return were read by the Town Clerk, the reading of the articles in the Warrant being waived upon motion.

The Moderator asked unanimous consent to consider in force a rule that debate on any article be limited to ten minutes per speaker. Unanimous consent was given. Mr. John Bailey raised the question as to whether this meant ten minutes on each of the four articles dealing with the Junior High School. The Moderator explained that it meant ten minutes per article.

Mr. Walter Leach, Mr. Gilbert Tattersall and Mr. George Bettencourt were sworn in as tellers. Mr. Tattersall stated there was an objection to his serving as teller since Mrs. Tattersall was a member of the Junior High School Building Committee. Mr. Philip Claxton was then sworn as the third teller.

Mr. Julius Haller moved that the members of the town meeting observe a moment of silent prayer in memory of Mr. William P. Bailey who had served the town so faithfully in many ways and who had passed away since the last town meeting. This moment of silent prayer was observed.

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the construction of an addition to the present Junior High School building and the purchase of original equipment and furnishings for said addition; raise and appropriate a sum of money for said purposes; determine how such sum shall be raised, whether by transfer from available funds, from the current tax levy, or by borrowing, or by two or more of said means, and if in any part by borrowing whether under the authority of General Laws, Chapter 44, as amended, or under authority of Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948, as amended; and how said sum shall be expended; or take any other action relative thereto.

Mr. Granberg, Chairman of the Junior High School Building Committee, explained that Articles 1, 2 and 3 provided for locations for the Junior High School which his building committee did not favor. Article 4 was the article which his committee would present to the town.

TOWN OF NEEDHAM

Mr. Hamburger presented the following motion.

MOVED: That the Town authorize the construction of an addition to the present Junior High School building, and the purchase of original equipment and furnishings for said addition; that the sum of \$1,360,000.00 be raised and appropriated for said construction, including necessary plans, specifications, working drawings and architects' fees, and for said original equipment and furnishings; that the sum of \$20,000.00 be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account for said purposes, and that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be and he is hereby authorized in the name and on behalf of the Town to borrow the balance of \$1,340,000.00 and to issue the notes or bonds of the Town therefor, payable in not more than twenty years, under the authority of and in accordance with Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948, as amended.

When put to a vote this motion did not pass.

Mr. Hamburger then asked that the Town Meeting Members vote unanimously in favor of the site known as the "Harris Woods".

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the construction of a new Junior High School building on the Town-owned land off Dedham Avenue, known as the Norris Farm, and the purchase of original equipment and furnishings for said building; raise and appropriate a sum of money for said purposes; determine how said sum shall be raised, whether by transfer from available funds, from the current tax levy, or by borrowing, or by two or more of said means, and if in part by borrowing whether under authority of General Laws, Chapter 44, as amended, or under authority of Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948, as amended; and how said sum shall be expended; or take any other action relative thereto.

Mr. Angell presented the following motion.

MOVED: That the Town authorize the construction of a new Junior High School building on the Town-owned land off Dedham Avenue, known as the Norris Farm, and the purchase of original equipment and furnishings for said building; that the sum of \$1,540,000.00 be raised and appropriated for said construction, including necessary plans, specifications, working drawings and architects' fees, and for said original equipment and furnishings; that the sum of \$20,000.00 be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account for said purposes, and that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be and he is hereby authorized in the name and on behalf of the Town to borrow the balance of \$1,540,000.00 and to issue the notes or bonds of the Town therefor, payable in not more than twenty years, under the authority of and in accordance with Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948, as amended.

When put to a vote this motion did not pass.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the construction of a new Junior High School building on the land off Central Avenue, near Great Plain Avenue, in Needham, voted to be acquired by the Town for school purposes under Articles 5, 6 and 7 of the Special Town Meeting of November 14, 1955, and the land referred to in Articles 7 and 9 of this Warrant, and the purchase of original equipment and furnishings for said building; raise and appropriate a sum of money for said purposes; determine how said sum shall be raised, whether by transfer from available funds, from the current tax levy, or by borrowing, or by two or more of said means, and if in any part by borrowing whether under authority of General Laws, Chapter 44, as amended, or under authority of Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948, as amended; and how said sum shall be expended; or take any other action relative thereto.

Mr. Gordon Winslow presented the following motion which did not pass.

MOVED: That the Town authorize the construction of a new Junior High School building on the land off Central Avenue, near Great Plain Avenue, in Needham, voted to be acquired by the Town for school purposes under Articles 5, 6 and 7 of the Special Town Meeting of November 14, 1955, and the land referred to in Articles 7 and 9 of this Warrant, and the purchase of original equipment and furnishings for said building; that the sum of \$1,610,000.00 be raised and appropriated for said construction, including necessary plans, specifications, working drawings and architects' fees, and for said original equipment and furnishings; that the sum of \$20,000.00 be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account for said purposes, and that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be and he is hereby authorized in the name and on behalf of the Town to borrow the balance of \$1,590,000.00 and to issue the notes or bonds of the Town therefor, payable in not more than twenty years, under the authority of and in accordance with Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948, as amended.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the construction of a new Junior High School building on the land on Harris Avenue in Needham owned by the Town and known as Harris Woods, and the purchase of original equipment and furnishings for said building; raise and appropriate a sum of money for said purposes; determine how such sum shall be raised, whether by transfer from available funds, from the current tax levy, or by borrowing, or by two or more of said means, and if in any part by borrowing whether under authority of General Laws, Chapter 44, as amended; or under authority of Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948, as amended; and how said sum shall be expended; or take any other action relative thereto.

Mr. Granberg presented the following motion which was passed by the necessary two-thirds vote.

VOTED: That the Town authorize the construction of a new Junior High School building on the land on Harris Avenue in Needham owned by the Town and known as Harris Woods, and the purchase of original equipment and furnishings for said building; that the sum of \$1,600,000.00 be raised and appropriated for said construction, including necessary plans, specifications, working drawings and architects' fees, and for said original equipment and furnishings; that the sum of \$20,000.00 be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account for said purposes, and that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be and he is hereby authorized in the name and on behalf of the Town to borrow the balance of \$1,580,000.00 and to issue the notes or bonds of the Town therefor, payable in not more than twenty years, under the authority of and in accordance with Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948, as amended.

Yes 192 — No 12

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to establish a building committee, or to constitute the present committee established under Article 59 of the 1955 Annual Town Meeting as a building committee; authorize and direct said committee to supervise the construction and the original equipping and furnishing of the addition to the present Junior High School building referred to in the preceding Article 1 of this Warrant or of the new Junior High School building on one of the sites referred to in the preceding Articles 2, 3 and 4 of this Warrant; authorize said committee to contract for and in the name of the Town and to do all other acts and things necessary for the accomplishment of the foregoing purposes; authorize and direct said committee to take any action necessary to obtain for the Town partial reimbursement from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts

for the cost of constructing said addition or new building and originally equipping and furnishing the same, under the provisions of Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948 as amended; or take any other action relative thereto.

Mr. Wallace offered the following motion.

MOVED: That the committee of five members established by the vote under Article 59 of the 1955 Annual Town Meeting be constituted a building committee, any vacancy in said committee to be filled by appointment by the Moderator; that said committee be authorized and directed to supervise the construction and the original equipping and furnishing of the new Junior High School building referred to in Article =4 of this warrant; that said committee be authorized to contract for and in the name of the Town and to do all other acts and things necessary for the accomplishment of the foregoing purposes; that said committee be authorized and directed to take all action necessary under Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948, as amended, to obtain approval of said building and of the original equipping and furnishing of the same from the School Building Assistance Commission of the Commonwealth and to obtain from the Emergency Finance Board of the Commonwealth approval of the necessary borrowing for the same, and to obtain for the Town partial reimbursement from the Commonwealth for the cost of constructing said building and originally equipping and furnishing the same, under the provisions of said Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948, as amended, and any other applicable statutes.

Mr. Ryerson offered the following amendment regarding the appointment of the Committee which was accepted.

VOTED: That a committee of nine be appointed to act as a building committee under Article 5, and that it be composed of those members of the committee appointed under Article 59 of the warrant at the Annual Town Meeting in 1955, who are able to serve, and the balance of the committee be appointed by the Moderator after consulting with the following committees, boards and organizations of the town: School Committee; Board of Selectmen; Finance Committee; Planning Board; Board of Park Commissioners; Needham Taxpayers Association; and Needham Public School Association.

The motion, as amended, was then accepted and it was

VOTED: That a committee of nine be appointed to act as a building committee under Article 5, and that it be composed of those members of the committee appointed under Article 59 of the warrant at the Annual Town Meeting in 1955, who are able to serve, and the balance of the committee be appointed by the Moderator after consulting with the following committees, boards and organizations of the Town: School Committee; Board of Selectmen; Finance Committee; Planning Board; Board of Park Commissioners; Needham Taxpayers Association; and Needham Public School Association; that said committee be authorized and directed to supervise the construction and the original equipping and furnishing of the new Junior High School building referred to in Article =4 of this warrant; that said committee be authorized to contract for and in the name of the Town and to do all other acts and things necessary for the accomplishment of the foregoing purposes; that said committee be authorized and directed to take all action necessary under Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948, as amended, to obtain approval of said building and of the original equipping and furnishing of the same from the School Building Assistance Commission of the Commonwealth and to obtain from the Emergency Finance Board of the Commonwealth approval of the necessary borrowing for the same, and to obtain for the Town partial reimbursement from the Commonwealth for the cost of constructing said building and originally equipping and furnishing the same, under the provisions of said Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948 as amended, and any other applicable statutes.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to accept such Act of the General Court as may have been enacted in 1956 and prior to this special town meeting, authorizing the use of the Town-owned park land off Harris Avenue, known as Harris Woods, for school purposes; determine whether the whole or only a specified part of said Harris Woods shall be so used; in the event no such legislation has been enacted by the General Court prior to this meeting, to see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to petition or request the General Court, on behalf of the Town, for legislation authorizing the use of said Harris Woods for school purposes, such legislation providing, further, that it shall become effective without further action or acceptance by the Town, and that on and after the effective date of such legislation said land shall be available for school purposes and shall be under the same care and control as other school property; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That an Act of the General Court, enacted on January 30, 1956, being Chapter 32 of the Acts of 1956, authorizing the use of the Town-owned park land off Harris Avenue, known as Harris Woods, for school purposes, be and the same is hereby accepted; and that all of said Harris Woods be and the same is hereby designated to be used for school purposes.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to acquire by purchase or by eminent domain for school purposes the fee in a certain parcel of land in Needham, with the trees and structures thereon, owned by Florence E. McIntosh, said parcel being bounded and described as follows:—

Easterly by Central Avenue, two hundred thirty-four and 13/100 (234.13) feet;

Southerly by land now or formerly of Frank Marsilli;

Southwesterly by land now or formerly of Herbert B. Mackintosh;

Northwesterly by land now or formerly of George A. and Ruth S. Winslow;

Northeasterly by land now or formerly of Frank Ott, seven hundred fifty-four (754) feet;

Northerly by land now or formerly of Frank Ott, three hundred ten and 17/100 (310.17) feet; and

Northeasterly by land now or formerly of Frank Ott, one thousand thirteen and 35/100 (1013.35) feet.

Containing 22 $\frac{2}{3}$ acres more or less, or however said parcel or parcels may be bounded or described. Being the same premises, consisting of two parcels, described in deed of Maria Louise and Frank A. McIntosh to G. Winthrop McIntosh dated May 15, 1933, recorded with Norfolk Deeds in Book 1990, Page 247.

Together with all outstanding easements of rights of way over said premises, for the purpose of the extinguishment of same, raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purposes of said acquisition; determine how said sum shall be raised, whether by transfer from available funds, from the current tax levy, or otherwise; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, be authorized and empowered to acquire by eminent domain for school purposes the fee simple in a certain parcel of land in Needham, Norfolk County, Massachusetts, with the trees and structures thereon, owned by Florence E. McIntosh, said parcel being bounded and described as follows:

Easterly by Central Avenue, two hundred thirty-four and 13/100 (234.13) feet;

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Southerly by land now or formerly of Marsilli Realty Trust, Frank Marsilli, Trustee, one thousand three hundred fifty-seven and 57/100 (1357.57) feet;

Southwesterly by land now or formerly of Herbert B. Mackintosh, one thousand seventy-four and 96/100 (1074.96) feet;

Northwesterly by land now or formerly of George A. and Ruth S. Winslow, five hundred eighteen and 68/100 (518.68) feet;

Northeasterly by land now or formerly of Frank Ott, seven hundred fifty-four (754) feet;

Northerly by land now or formerly of Frank Ott, three hundred ten and 17/100 (310.17) feet; and

Northeasterly by land now or formerly of Frank Ott, one thousand thirteen and 35/100 (1013.35) feet.

Containing 956.196 square feet, or 21.95 acres, more or less. Being the same premises, consisting of two parcels, described in deed of Maria Louise and Frank A. McIntosh to G. Winthrop McIntosh dated May 15, 1933, recorded with Norfolk Deeds in Book 1990, Page 247. Being shown on plan entitled "Plan of Land in Needham, Mass., Cheney and Woodbury, Civil Engineers, dated January 28, 1956."

Together with all outstanding easements of rights of way over said premises, for the purpose of the extinguishment of the same, and that the sum of \$13,500.00 be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account for the purpose of said acquisition.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to rescind its action under Article 4 of the Special Town Meeting of November 14, 1955, whereby it was voted to acquire by eminent domain for school purposes certain land off Central Avenue in Needham owned by the heirs of the late Frank Ott and by Frances Gunaris; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the vote of the Town Meeting under Article 4 of the Special Town Meeting of November 14, 1955, be and the same is hereby rescinded.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to acquire by purchase or by eminent domain for school purposes the fee in a certain parcel of land in Needham, with the trees and structures thereon, owned by the heirs of Frank Ott, namely Louisa Ott, also known as Luisa Ott, Charles Ott, also known as Charles J. Ott, and Franesca Gunaris, also known as Frances Gunaris, said parcel being bounded and described as follows:—

Southeasterly by other land of heirs of Frank Ott, one hundred sixty-four (164) feet;

Southwesterly by land now or formerly of Florence E. McIntosh, by several bounds, a total of six hundred seventy-nine and 90/100 (679.90) feet;

Southerly by said McIntosh land, three hundred ten and 17/100 (310.17) feet;

Southwesterly by said McIntosh land, seven hundred fifty-four (754) feet;

Northwesterly by land formerly of Glover Home and Hospital and now or formerly of George A. and Ruth S. Winslow, the line running through the middle of a brook or ditch, two hundred twenty-three (223) feet; and

Northeasterly by land now or formerly of Leona M. Rimmele, by several bounds, a total of one thousand four hundred forty-eight and 75/100 (1448.75) feet.

Containing 9.905 acres. and being shown as Lot B on plan entitled "Plan of Land in Needham, Mass. Cheney & Woodbury, Civil Engineers, Dec. 28, 1955," recorded with Norfolk Deeds.

Being a part of the premises conveyed to Frank Ott by deed of Benjamin L. Barr dated May 19, 1902, recorded with Norfolk Deeds in Book 921, Page 581.

Together with all outstanding easements of rights of way over said premises, including one now or formerly possessed by James McIntosh, for the purpose of the extinguishment of same.

raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purposes of said acquisition; determine how said sum shall be raised, whether by transfer from available funds, from the current tax levy or otherwise; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, be authorized and empowered to acquire by eminent domain for school purposes the fee simple in a certain parcel of land in Needham, Norfolk County, Massachusetts, with the trees and structures thereon, owned by the heirs of Frank Ott, namely Louisa Ott, also known as Luisa Ott, Charles Ott, also known as Charles J. Ott, and Francesca Gunaris, also known as Frances Gunaris, said parcel being bounded and described as follows:

Southeasterly by other land of heirs of Frank Ott, one hundred sixty-four (164) feet;

Southwesterly by land now or formerly of Florence E. McIntosh, by several bounds, a total of six hundred seventy-nine and 90/100 (679.90) feet;

Southerly by said McIntosh land, three hundred ten and 17/100 (310.17) feet;

Southwesterly by said McIntosh land, seven hundred fifty-four (754) feet;

Northwesterly by land formerly of Glover Home and Hospital and now or formerly of George A. and Ruth S. Winslow, the line running through the middle of a brook or ditch, two hundred twenty-three (223) feet; and

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Containing 9.905 acres and being shown as Lot B on plan entitled "Plan of Land in Needham, Mass. Cheney & Woodbury, Civil Engineers, Dec. 28, 1955," recorded with Norfolk Deeds.

Being a part of the premises conveyed to Frank Ott by deed of Benjamin L. Barr dated May 19, 1902, recorded with Norfolk Deeds in Book 921, Page 581.

Together with all outstanding easements of rights of way over said premises, including one now or formerly possessed by James McIntosh, for the purpose of the extinguishment of same.

and that the sum of \$5,500.00 be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account for the purpose of said acquisition.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

The meeting was dissolved at 9:20 P.M., January 30, 1956.

MARIAN S. PETERSON,
Town Clerk.

Attest:

TOWN OF NEEDHAM

RECORD OF THE ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION

March 5, 1956

Pursuant to the Warrant issued by the Selectmen, February 7, 1956, the Inhabitants of the Town of Needham, qualified to vote in elections, met at the polling places designated for the several precincts in said Needham on Monday, the fifth day of March in the year 1956 at forty-five minutes after six o'clock in the forenoon.

The meeting was called to order and the Warrant and Officer's Return were read by the Wardens of the Precincts, the reading of the Articles in the Warrant being waived upon motion.

The ballot boxes were inspected and found to be empty with the registers set on 0000. The boxes were then locked and the keys delivered to the Police Officers in attendance.

The ballot clerks were sworn to the faithful performance of their duties by their respective Wardens.

The polling places had been designated as follows:

- The voters of Precincts 1 and 3, in the Junior High School
- The voters of Precinct 2, in the Harris School
- The voters of Precinct 4, in the High Rock School
- The voters of Precinct 5, in the William Carter School
- The voters of Precinct 6, in the William Mitchell School

The polls were opened at forty-five minutes after six o'clock in the forenoon and were kept open until eight o'clock in the afternoon.

Cards of instruction and specimen ballots were posted as required by Section 48, Chapter 54 of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 1. To choose by ballot the following Town Officers:

- One Selectman for one year;
- One Selectman for two years;
- One Selectman for three years;
- One Moderator for one year;
- One Town Clerk for three years;
- One Assessor for three years;
- One Town Treasurer and Tax Collector for three years;
- One Member of the Board of Public Welfare for three years;
- Two Trustees of the Public Library for three years;
- One Trustee of Memorial Park for two years;
- Two Trustees of Memorial Park for three years;
- Two Members of the School Committee for three years;
- One Member of the Board of Health for three years;
- One Commissioner of Trust Funds for three years;
- One Member of the Town Planning Board for five years;
- One Member of the Board of Park Commissioners for one year;
- Two Members of the Board of Park Commissioners for two years;
- Two Members of the Board of Park Commissioners for three years;
- One Member of the Needham Housing Authority for five years;
- Two Constables for one year;

Thirty-three Town Meeting Members from Precinct 1, forty-two Town Meeting Members from each of Precincts 2 and 3, forty-five Town Meeting Members from each of Precincts 4, 5 and 6, the one third of the number of Town Meeting Members from each precinct receiving the highest number of votes being elected for three years, the one third of said number receiving the next highest number of votes being elected for two years, and the one third of said number receiving the next highest number of votes being elected for one year.

ARTICLE 2. To submit the following question upon the official ballot to the registered voters of the Town:

"Are you in favor of the fluoride supplementation of the Needham water supply?"

ARTICLE 3. To submit the following question upon the official ballot to the registered voters of the Town:

"Shall the Town accept Section 4B of Chapter 136 of Massachusetts General Laws permitting the licensed operation of bowling alleys on the Lord's Day?"

ARTICLE 4. To submit the following question upon the official ballot to the registered voters of the Town:

"Shall the Town vote to accept the provisions of Section 48 of Chapter 31 of the General Laws with reference to permanent members of the fire force of the town of Needham so that said members shall be subject to the provisions of Chapter 31 of the General Laws (Civil Service) and the rules established thereunder?"

The ballot box returns in the Precincts were as follows:

<i>Precincts</i>	1	2	3	4	5	6
7:00 A.M.	6	5	4	—	3	1
8:00 A.M.	50	52	50	50	30	41
9:00 A.M.	78	109	98	95	49	86
10:00 A.M.	113	136	125	145	75	125
11:00 A.M.	169	186	166	185	98	173
12:00 Noon	190	215	194	235	130	185
1:00 P.M.	225	259	241	295	166	218
2:00 P.M.	268	325	304	350	205	303
3:00 P.M.	300	371	341	392	240	321
4:00 P.M.	346	419	378	450	283	371
5:00 P.M.	415	475	460	500	350	440
6:00 P.M.	494	680	575	650	475	592
7:00 P.M.	590	772	684	833	584	750
8:00 P.M.	718	960	865	1048	825	968
Absentee	1	3	12	2	3	3

Total Votes 5408 — 48.9% of Registered Voters

The Town Clerk and the Board of Registrars upon receipt of the returns from the several precincts, forthwith canvassed the same and announced the results at 4:30 A.M. March 6th, 1956.

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	Precincts						Total
	1	2	3	4	5	6	
Total of Votes Cast	719	963	877	1050	828	971	5408
Moderator (For One Year)							
Harold Putnam	621	852	805	938	708	868	4792
Blanks	98	111	72	112	120	103	616
Town Clerk (For Three Years)							
Marian S. Peterson	641	888	827	965	729	892	4942
Blanks	78	75	50	85	99	79	466
Selectman (For Three Years)							
John Barr Dolan	269	403	358	388	296	317	2031
Clarke H. Wertheim	324	401	379	491	381	484	2460
George M. Wile	82	136	118	133	112	132	713
Blanks	44	23	22	38	39	38	204
Selectman (For Two Years)							
Everett C. Cross	595	843	779	897	645	851	4610
Blanks	124	120	98	153	183	120	798
Selectman (For One Year)							
Frederic L. Glover	191	265	247	394	265	277	1639
Marian F. Keith	227	411	321	313	307	393	1972
James Hugh Powers	252	233	259	287	198	238	1467
Blanks	49	54	50	56	58	63	330
Assessor (For Three Years)							
A. Sterling Holt	620	855	801	917	681	851	4725
Blanks	99	108	76	133	147	120	683
School Committee (For Three Years)							
John H. Bush	558	777	738	842	606	781	4302
Robert J. Granberg	515	763	690	795	542	737	4042
Blanks	365	386	326	463	508	424	2472
Treasurer & Tax Collector (For Three Years)							
Arnold Mackintosh	606	859	305	921	682	849	4722
Blanks	133	104	72	129	146	122	686

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	Precincts						Total
	1	2	3	4	5	6	
DEPT. OF PUBLIC WELFARE (For Three Years)							
Waldo M. Hunt	577	819	776	989	644	823	4528
Blanks	142	144	101	161	184	148	880
BOARD OF HEALTH (For Three Years)							
David E. Mann	617	848	809	926	688	858	4746
Blanks	102	115	68	124	140	113	662
NEEDHAM HOUSING AUTHORITY (For Five Years)							
Albert W. Tocci	591	813	762	867	645	822	4500
Blanks	128	150	115	183	183	149	908
PLANNING BOARD (For Five Years)							
Edward L. Hill	247	465	335	336	273	347	2003
Warren Meyer	94	80	87	118	150	164	693
Artemas P. Richardson	255	298	372	458	239	331	1953
Blanks	123	120	83	138	166	129	759
TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY (For Three Years)							
Arthur L. King	577	821	758	866	619	797	4438
Laura G. Willgoose	596	829	761	894	639	820	4539
Blanks	265	276	235	340	398	325	1839
TRUSTEES OF MEMORIAL PARK (For Three Years)							
Ronald D. Lowden	582	829	756	869	625	807	4468
J. Norman Gledhill, Jr.	557	787	738	844	588	765	4279
Blanks	299	310	260	387	443	370	2069
TRUSTEE OF MEMORIAL PARK (For Two Years)							
Alfred Wenham	556	773	737	827	601	780	4274
Blanks	163	190	140	223	227	191	1134
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS (For Three Years)							
Francis W. Coburn	472	692	598	698	468	663	3591
Catherine T. Farlow	357	489	532	502	316	453	2654
John W. McLeod	346	443	381	539	498	492	2699
Blanks	263	302	243	361	374	329	1872

BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS (For Two Years)

	Precincts					Total
	1	2	3	4	5	6
Clarence E. Dussault	313	447	387	520	339	414
Francis C. Eaton	204	356	317	429	292	305
Robert J. Latham	333	439	422	396	396	521
Frederick R. L. Wise	389	416	432	513	390	469
Blanks	199	268	196	242	239	233

BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS (For One Year)

Alden Eberly	576	804	757	862	611	807
Blanks	143	159	120	188	217	164

COMMISSIONER OF TRUST FUNDS (For Three Years)

Roger W. Nutt	581	817	769	856	619	804
Blanks	138	146	108	194	209	167

CONSTABLES (For One Year)

William W. Hewett	587	817	764	882	649	810
Frank J. Reinhardt, Jr.	564	801	753	857	605	787
Blanks	287	308	237	361	402	345

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PRECINCT ONE (For Three Years)	
A. Sterling Holt	441
F. Parker Bartlett, Jr.	419
Victor L. Richwagen	410
Eva H. Churchill	399
Robert J. Latham	388
Harold Leslie Cramer	382
Ralph L. Bixby	378
William A. Mann	378
Frank W. Brett	369
James Hugh Powers	362
John K. Benson	362

PRECINCT ONE (For Two Years)	
Mary Dorcas Adams	361
H. Kent Crabtree	360
W. Raymond Hewes	356
John H. Bush	354
Julia B. Twigg	353
Merrick P. Rawstren	348
William H. Gay	340
Daniel H. Rider	332
Norman E. Alexander	325
Frederick R. L. Wise	325
Frederick M. Caulton	316

PRECINCT ONE (For One Year)	
Katherine R. Broadley	315
William H. Dugan	302
Clayton L. Holden	301
Thomas J. Rooney	300
Carleton F. Whitney	300
John Wallace	293
Elmer H. Everett	289
James H. Noonan	286
Nancy E. MacMillan	284
J. Harold Stubbs	284
Ridgley G. Shepherd	281

CANDIDATES FOR TOWN MEETING MEMBER NOT ELECTED

Kenneth Drake	279
Malcolm D. Palmer	279
Beatrice A. Wood	260
Charles S. Frary, Jr.	252
Philip Simon	251
William B. Perlin	250
George H. Hopkins, Jr.	248
Milton E. Cooke	240
Clarence R. Perry	215
Susan P. Barnard	205
T. Chesterfield Parker	186
Charles J. Gotthardt	172
Francis G. Denneen	170
Hector D. Scull	168
Charles M. Pearey	155
Francis A. Facchetti	151

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PRECINCT TWO (For Three Years)

J. Roland Ackroyd	661	David Murdoch	608
Marian F. Keith	659	Cyril N. Angell	604
Donald A. Eaton	655	James E. Cruickshank	596
Ralph E. Chambers	642	Robert J. Granberg	594
Francis W. Coburn	629	Ruth E. Steere	591
Henry D. Hersey	628	Gordon B. Winslow	589
Harold O. Blaisdell	616	Loring C. Nye	579

PRECINCT TWO (For Two Years)

William S. Cassidy	563	Edwin W. L. Page	545
Waldo M. Hunt	563	Samuel Loomis	543
Thomas H. Welch	563	James K. Sanborn	541
Albert E. Hunter	558	S. Gilbert Tattersall	525
Vernal E. Kezer	551	Herbert L. Moore	524
Irving H. Crowdrey	550	Harold A. Page	520
Walter J. Clark	546	Clarence J. Chisholm	514

PRECINCT TWO (For One Year)

Malcolm B. Reed	511	Charles A. Packard	411
Percy H. Paige	507	Daniel E. Baker, Jr.	409
Milton B. Hardin	492	George M. Wile	396
John Barr Dolan	486	J. Marshall Shields	393
J. Samuel Slicer, Jr.	484	Richard A. Davis	387
Stephen J. Fleming, Jr.	428	Bradley E. Copeland	386
Sanford T. Bidle	418	Betty-Jane D. Chamberlin	375

NOT ELECTED (Precinct 2)

Joseph T. Hughes	356	George F. Stitt	263
T. Ray Weaver	353	Claude R. La Plante	254
Warren J. MacDonald	335	Joseph H. Williams	254
Francis G. Brincklow	327	Richard A. Kaye	248
Paul W. Lowney	318	Francis E. Hassey	205
F. Hartwell Swaffield	285	Thomas J. O'Halloran	197
Robert L. Schneider	279		

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PRECINCT THREE (For Three Years)

Henry M. Heald	582	Andrew C. Bailey	524
Kenneth Christophe	581	Frank L. Bridges	521
Roland C. March, Jr.	543	N. Henry Larson	519
Wendell E. Ryerson	531	Stanley Rawstron	517
Robert H. Kimball, Jr.	530	Walter D. Leach, Jr.	511
Henry V. Perry	530	Jessie L. Hardy	510
Frances B. Eaton	528	Arthur L. King	510

PRECINCT THREE (For Two Years)

Edward L. Davis, Jr.	504	Stimson Wyeth	487
Frank L. Farwell	503	Byron K. Elliott	486
Charles B. McIntosh	501	Charles H. Ladd	471
Edward W. Y. Dunn	500	Elizabeth K. Whiting	470
William M. Austin	492	George F. Bettencourt	463
Henry R. Guild	491	A. Richards Daniels	460
J. Boyd Britton	490	G. Edward Nealand	459

PRECINCT THREE (For One Year)

Halbert E. Pierce, Jr.	457	Frederic B. Williams, Jr.	436
J. Frederick Harkins	452	James G. Summers	426
Julia Preble	452	Roby S. Thomas	407
Rebecca H. Perry	448	Marcel E. Johnson	405
Herbert J. Motley	447	J. Norman Gledhill, Jr.	337
R. Forbes Perkins	446	Meyer J. Gordon	328
Verner O. Nelson	441	Stewart B. Johnston	322

NOT ELECTED (Precinct 3)

Marybelle F. Zeise	308	Donald C. Plimpton	232
E. Robert McLellan	303	Paul E. Keating	228
Newell T. Crolius	302	Frank E. Abbott	225
Eben F. Smith	299	C. William Hayllar	204
W. Paul Dunn	262	John W. Folk	199
Robert B. Donald	252	Edward F. O'Brien	197
Robert A. Bierweiler	235		

PRECINCT FIVE (For Three Years)	
Donald B. Richwagen	500
Edward E. Hallein	474
Archibald W. Friswell	463
Daniel C. Henderson	461
John F. Taylor, Jr.	461
Harry Martin	460
Lawrence D. Osborne, Jr.	459
Charles A. Carpenger	458
Winnifred C. Atkinson	455
Philip K. Greuling	454
John W. McLeod	452
John W. Coppinger	449
Charles E. Spicer	447
Thomas H. Sparkes	446
Robert W. Chalue	443

PRECINCT FIVE (For Two Years)	
Lawrence G. Caulton	440
John M. Bailey	435
Walter L. Benson	431
William E. Whitehead	430
William B. Ludlow, Jr.	429
Roland C. March	428
H. Milton Hoitt	426
Harold T. Vincent	425
Paul Revere	421
D. Kent Eaton, Jr.	419
William H. Marriott	417
Elizabeth E. Anderson	416
Eleanor A. Mason	415
Edward L. Boffum	414
Paul T. Bloh	409

PRECINCT FIVE (For One Year)	
W. Ansel Cassidy	407
William Fitzgerald	406
Asna Aronie	394
Arthur F. Johnson	387
Frederick O. J. Muzi	383
Edward A. Gifford	382
Adolph A. Bloch	374
Dawson L. Brown	372
James M. Barton	357
Harding S. Ericson	357
Roy L. Blondell	325
Ronald L. Morrison	321
Wilfred J. Baranick	310
Arthur C. Connor	308
Edward G. Newman	308

NOT ELECTED (Precinct 5)	
Libero Petrini	296
Joseph A. Stupak	276
John D. Goethel	274
Irving Wiseman	209

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PRECINCT SIX (For Three Years)			
Philip H. Claxton	660	Frederic S. Mann	544
Asa M. Small	648	Enos G. Nickerson	543
Charles D. Bell	602	Conrad W. Frykberg	542
R. Ashley Holt	587	Roger D. Goodwin	531
Richard M. Salamone	569	Amos Hamburger	519
Aaron A. Loomis	554	Henry A. Burnham	513
Norman F. Fay	552	John E. Cotter	507
Gorham W. Humphrey	543		
PRECINCT SIX (For Two Years)			
Julius T. Fedel	506	Arthur T. Henderson	481
Fred L. Frost	493	Munroe Husbands	478
Charles E. Greene	492	William L. Burton	472
Henry W. Eaton	490	Pierce B. Bennett	470
Herbert W. Firth	489	Ernest T. Skinner	466
Fred G. Atchinson	488	Nelson A. Talmadge	464
Edward G. Sayce	488	Francis E. Stanwood	462
Paul H. Linseott	482		
PRECINCT SIX (For One Year)			
Myron E. Smith	460	Theodore N. Graser	416
William P. Coppinger	455	Paul G. Douglas	407
Harold Svendsen	450	Joseph DePasqua	386
Harry R. Hill	448	Redney Harris, Jr.	365
Robert L. Woodbury	448	Leonard W. Rowley	365
Victoria D. Hamburger	435	N. Grant MacKinnon	362
Edgar S. Stanley	435	Carl A. Flint	347
Ritchie L. Stevens	431		
NOT ELECTED (Precinct 6)			
Walter S. Attridge, Jr.	346	Andrew M. Carlin	285
Robert W. Cherry	332	Chester W. Pike	253
Mary H. Fernald	331	Perry M. Hudson	244
William P. Buckley	329	T. Stanley Emerson	242
William J. Cobb	329	Lenore Hudson	229
George W. Trumbour, Jr.	306	Joseph L. Hart	203
Paul W. Lumsden	302	Donald A. McCarthy	198
Doris E. Drescher	294	Murray C. Johnson	184
Lynne MacDonald	290	Karl T. Haugen	176

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QUESTION 1. (Fluoridation)

	1	2	3	Precincts 4	5	6	Total
Yes	239	295	310	385	291	298	1818
No	401	581	489	569	427	589	3056
Blanks	79	87	78	96	110	84	534

QUESTION 2. (Sunday Bowling)

Yes	239	300	264	384	358	303	1853
No	410	585	546	588	388	596	3113
Blanks	70	78	67	78	82	67	442

QUESTION 3. (Civil Service)

Yes	332	430	390	490	445	439	2526
No	304	434	394	444	286	428	2290
Blanks	83	99	93	116	97	104	592

The ballots cast in the several precincts were returned to the Town Clerk in the sealed packages. The voting lists used at the entrances to polling places and at the ballot boxes with the tally sheets and copy of the precinct record of elections were also returned, all properly sealed in conformity with the laws governing elections.

Adjourned at 4:30 A.M. Tuesday, March 6, 1956.

Attest:

MARIAN S. PETERSON,
Town Clerk

TOWN OF NEEDHAM

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING FOR THE
TRANSACTION OF BUSINESS

 March 19, 1956

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 o'clock P.M., by the Moderator, Harold Putnam, and the call to the meeting and the officer's return were read by the Town Clerk

The Town Clerk questioned the presence of a quorum and the Moderator declared there was not a quorum present and adjourned the meeting until Wednesday, March 21, 1956 at 7:30 o'clock P.M.

ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

March 21, 1956

Pursuant to adjournment of the Annual Town Meeting held March 19, 1956, the Inhabitants of the Town of Needham qualified to vote in Town affairs, met in the Senior High School on Wednesday, March 21, 1956, at 7:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Check lists were used and 355 voters were checked on the lists as being present. There were 225 Town Meeting Members present.

Rev. Mark H. Keohane was called upon for the invocation. Mr. Edward Pollard led the Town Meeting Members in the singing of the Star Spangled Banner, accompanied by Mrs. William Pollard at the piano.

Mr. George Bettencourt, Mr. Frank Farwell and Mr. W. Raymond Hewes were sworn in as tellers.

The Town Meeting gave unanimous consent to the rule of limiting debate on any article to ten minutes per person.

ARTICLE 5. To choose and appoint all other Town Officers in such manner as the Town may determine.

VOTED: That the following Town Officers be elected:

Town Agents: Everett C. Cross, Philip F. Foss, Marian F. Keith, Edward J. Stewart and Clarke H. Wertheim.

Measurer of Wood and Bark: Frederick A. Whetton.

Public Weighers: Neil E. Burgess, Elaine Cederval, Aurelio DiMuzio, Chester Kirkpatrick, Mary Kunz, Ernest Lyons, George McCullough, Domenic Nigro, Oreste Nardone, Richard L. Nims, Nicholas A. O'Brien, Jr., Betty Rosenkrans, John Tresca, Frederick A. Whetton and Ralph T. Woodcock.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 6. To hear and act on the reports of Town Officers and Committees.

VOTED: That the reports of Town Officers and Committees be accepted and placed on file.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 7. To see what action the Town will take relative to unexpended balances and deficiencies of 1955.

VOTED: That the sum of \$35.75 be appropriated to pay certain bills, contracted for in 1955, but not received in time to be paid, and to meet certain deficiencies incurred in 1955.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 8. To see what action the Town will take relative to unexpended balances and deficiencies of 1956.

VOTED: That unpaid bills contracted for in 1956, but not received by the Town until after December 31, 1956, regarded as "unpaid bills," be paid in January 1957, from cash on hand, and the amount so paid be reported by the Town Accountant to the Finance Committee to be included in its report of appropriations for 1957.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 9. To see what disposition the Town will make of monies received pursuant to General Laws, Chapter 140, Section 172, as the Town's share of the unexpended balance of the Dog Fund.

VOTED: That the sum of \$2,961.61, received pursuant to Section 172 of Chapter 140 of the General Laws as the Town's share of the unexpended balance of the Dog Fund, be appropriated for the use of the Public Library.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to fix the compensation of each of the elective officers of the Town, as required by Section 108 of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, as amended, in accordance with the proposed minimum and maximum rates recommended by the Personnel Committee and subject to the provisions of paragraphs (f) and (g) of Section 20 of the Consolidated Personnel By-Law as follows:

	<i>Present</i>		<i>Proposed</i>	
	<i>Min.</i>	<i>Max.</i>	<i>Min.</i>	<i>Max.</i>
Principal Assessor	\$4,300.00	\$5,000.00	\$4,600.00	\$5,300.00
Assistant Assessor		1,350.00		1,430.00
Selectman, Chairman		600.00		630.00
Selectman, other		450.00		475.00
Town Clerk	3,600.00	4,200.00	3,900.00	4,500.00
Town Treasurer and Tax Collector		4,600.00		4,800.00

or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the compensation of each of the elective officers of the Town be fixed, as required by Section 108 of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, as amended, in accordance with the proposed minimum and maximum rates recommended by the Personnel Committee and subject to the provisions of paragraphs (f) and (g) of Section 20 of the Consolidated Personnel By-Law as follows:

	<i>Present</i>		<i>Proposed</i>	
	<i>Min.</i>	<i>Max.</i>	<i>Min.</i>	<i>Max.</i>
Principal Assessor	\$4,300.00	\$5,000.00	\$4,600.00	\$5,300.00
Assistant Assessor		1,350.00		1,430.00
Selectman, Chairman		600.00		630.00
Selectman, other		450.00		475.00
Town Clerk	3,600.00	4,200.00	3,900.00	4,500.00
Town Treasurer and Tax Collector		4,600.00		4,800.00

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Consolidated Personnel By-Law by striking out Section 17 and substituting therefor the following:

Section 17. Classifications and Standard Rates of Compensation of the Paid Appointive Service. Except as otherwise required by State law, the classes of positions in the paid appointive service of the Town (other than those in the service of the School Department and the Glover Memorial Hospital) and the standard rates of compensation thereof, and the compensation of positions classified by the Director of Civil Service, shall be as follows:

Clerical Service

	Rate of Compensation	
	Minimum	Maximum
Principal Clerk	\$2,950.00	\$3,250.00
Senior Clerk - Stenographer, Welfare Department	2,650.00	2,950.00
Senior Clerk	2,650.00	2,950.00
Clerk	2,250.00	2,550.00
Selectmen's Clerk		475.00
Committee Secretary (per hour)		1.63
Temporary Part-time Clerk (per hour)		1.28

Custodial Service

Senior Custodian	\$3,450.00	\$3,900.00
Custodian	2,750.00	3,050.00
Town Hall Janitor	2,550.00	2,850.00
Substitute Janitor (per hour)		1.28

Engineering Services: Salaried

Superintendent of Public Works	\$7,650.00	\$8,850.00
Assistant Superintendent of Public Works and Superintendent of Water Division	6,200.00	7,200.00
Town Engineer (Sand & Gravel Inspector)	5,650.00	6,550.00
Divisional Superintendent (Highways)	5,600.00	6,200.00
Divisional Superintendent (Sewers)	5,600.00	6,200.00
Assistant Divisional Superintendent	4,500.00	5,200.00
Assistant Engineer	4,400.00	5,000.00
Deputy Tree Warden and Moth Superintendent	4,400.00	5,000.00
Chief of Party	3,800.00	4,400.00
Senior Draftsman	3,800.00	4,400.00
Draftsman	3,300.00	3,750.00
Memorial Park Supervisor	3,300.00	3,750.00

Engineering Services: Hourly Rated

Master Mechanic	\$	2.25
General Foreman		2.15
Foreman		2.03
Shovel Operator		2.08
Garage Mechanic		1.98
Skilled Laborer		1.89
Semi-skilled Laborer		1.82
General Laborer		1.68
Student Draftsman and Rodman		
Second Year Students		1.44
Third Year Students		1.53
Fourth Year Students		1.62
Fifth Year Students		1.71
Common Laborer		1.53
Temporary Laborer		1.38
Memorial Park Groundskeeper		1.38

Fiscal Service

	<i>Rate of Compensation</i>	
	<i>Minimum</i>	<i>Maximum</i>
Town Accountant	\$5,150.00	\$5,850.00
Chief Accounting Clerk	3,250.00	3,550.00
Executive Secretary of the Finance Committee		700.00

Health and Social Services

Animal Inspector		\$ 515.00
Clerk-Technician	\$2,750.00	3,050.00
Dental Hygienist (per hour)		1.78
Director of Health Services		1,700.00
Nutritionist (per hour)		1.98
Public Health Nurse	3,300.00	3,750.00
Sanitarian (per diem)		17.20
Sanitarian (annual basis)	3,900.00	4,500.00
Veteran's Agent		2,700.00
Welfare Agent	4,050.00	4,550.00
Welfare Department Social Worker	3,250.00	3,550.00

Legal and Registration

Town Counsel	\$4,500.00
Registrar of Voters	225.00
Canvasser (per hour)	1.28

Library Service

Librarian	\$4,100.00	\$4,700.00
Assistant Librarian	3,400.00	3,850.00
Cataloguer	3,350.00	3,650.00
Children's Librarian	3,350.00	3,650.00
Reference Librarian	3,350.00	3,650.00
Branch Librarian	2,650.00	2,950.00
Library Assistant	2,250.00	2,550.00
Extra Professional Assistant (per hour)		1.28
Extra Sub-professional Assistant (per hour) .....		.98
Student Helper (per hour) .....		.88

Public Safety: Fire Department

Chief	\$5,350.00	\$6,350.00
Deputy Chief	4,700.00	5,300.00
Captain	4,200.00	4,700.00
Assistant Superintendent of Fire Alarm	4,200.00	4,700.00
Firefighter, Permanent	3,675.00	4,050.00
Firefighter, Substitute (per diem)		14.20
Groundsman (per diem)		14.20
Call Man		335.00

Public Safety: Police Department

Chief	\$5,350.00	\$6,350.00
Sergeant	4,200.00	4,700.00
Detective	4,200.00	4,700.00
Police Officer, Permanent	3,675.00	4,050.00
Police Matron		600.00
Police Officer, Intermittent (per diem)		14.20
Traffic Policewoman (per month)		110.00

Public Safety: Other

Building Inspector	\$4,500.00	\$5,100.00
Director of Civil Defense		975.00
Dog Officer		760.00
Plumbing Inspector (annual basis)	4,000.00	4,600.00

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	Rate of Compensation	
	Minimum	Maximum
Plumbing Inspector (per inspection including travel)		4.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures		1,200.00
Wiring Inspector	4,000.00	4,600.00
Substitute Building Inspector (per diem)		16.80
Substitute Wiring Inspector (per diem)		14.50

Recreational Services

Director of Recreation	\$3,150.00
Secretary-Clerk (per hour)	1.63
Playground Supervisor (per week)	70.00
Beach Supervisor (per week)	70.00
Assistant Beach Supervisor (per week)	55.00
Playground Director (per week)	45.00
Beach Lifeguard (per week)	45.00
Beach Booth Attendant (per week)	40.00
Playground Assistant (per week)	35.00
Play Leader (per hour) .....	.88
Baseball Umpire (per season)	375.00
or take any other action relative thereto.	

VOTED: That the Town's Consolidated Personnel By-Law be amended by striking out Section 17 thereof and by substituting therefor the following:

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Selectmen's Clerk		475.00
Committee Secretary (per hour)		1.63
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Senior Custodian	\$3,450.00	\$3,900.00
Custodian	2,750.00	3,050.00
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Assistant Divisional Superintendent	4,500.00	5,200.00
Assistant Engineer	4,400.00	5,000.00

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	Rate of Compensation	
	Minimum	Maximum
Deputy Tree Warden		
and Moth Superintendent	4,400.00	5,000.00
Chief of Party	3,800.00	4,400.00
Senior Draftsman	3,800.00	4,400.00
Draftsman	3,300.00	3,750.00
Memorial Park Supervisor	3,300.00	3,750.00

Engineering Services: Hourly Rated

Master Mechanic	\$	2.25
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Skilled Laborer		1.89
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Second Year Students		1.44
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of the Finance Committee		700.00

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Extra Professional Assistant (per hour) ..		1.28
Extra Sub-professional Assistant (per hour)		.98
Student Helper (per hour)88

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Public Safety: Fire Department

	Rate of Compensation	
	Minimum	Maximum
Chief	\$5,350.00	\$6,350.00
Deputy Chief	4,700.00	5,300.00
Captain	4,200.00	4,700.00
Assistant Superintendent of Fire Alarm	4,200.00	4,700.00
Firefighter, Permanent	3,675.00	4,050.00
Firefighter, Substitute (per diem)		14.20
Groundsman (per diem)		14.20
Call Man		335.00

Public Safety: Police Department

Chief	\$5,350.00	\$6,350.00
Sergeant	4,200.00	4,700.00
Detective	4,200.00	4,700.00
Police Officer, Permanent	3,675.00	4,050.00
Police Matron		600.00
Police Officer, Intermittent (per diem)		14.20
Traffic Policewoman (per month)		110.00

Public Safety: Other

Building Inspector	\$4,500.00	\$5,100.00
Director of Civil Defense		975.00
Dog Officer		760.00
Plumbing Inspector (annual basis)	4,000.00	4,600.00
Plumbing Inspector (per inspection including travel)		4.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures		1,200.00
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Playground Director (per week)	45.00
Beach Lifeguard (per week)	45.00
Beach Booth Attendant (per week)	40.00
Playground Assistant (per week)	35.00
Play Leader (per hour)88
Baseball Umpire (per season)	375.00

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Consolidated Personnel By-Law by striking out paragraph (f) of Section 20 and substituting therefor the following:

(f) Advancement from the minimum to the maximum rates shown in Sections 16 and 17 shall be as follows: (1) in the instance of positions compensated at a maximum rate not exceeding \$4,300 per annum, such advancement shall be by three equal, annual, successive steps; (2) in the instance of positions compensated at a maximum rate exceeding \$4,300 per annum but not exceeding \$6,350 per annum, such advancement shall be by four equal, annual successive steps; (3) in the instance of positions compensated at a maxi-

minimum rate exceeding \$6,350 per annum, such advancement shall be by five equal, annual, successive steps. Neither the establishment of a new minimum salary under the Compensation Plan nor the establishment of a greater number of step-rate increases thereunder shall have the effect of reducing the total compensation to which an employee, incumbent in a position at the time such change takes effect, shall be entitled. No such advancement, and no additional payment authorized in paragraph (g) below shall be made until the same shall be approved by the Personnel Committee or its authorized agent; and said Committee or its authorized agent shall not so approve until after the employing authority shall have recommended such advancement or additional payment in writing to the committee or its authorized agent.

or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the Town's Consolidated Personnel By-Law be amended by striking out paragraph (f) of Section 20 thereof and by substituting therefor the following:

(f) Advancement from the minimum to the maximum rates shown in Sections 16 and 17 shall be as follows: (1) in the instance of positions compensated at a maximum rate not exceeding \$4,300 per annum, such advancement shall be by three equal, annual, successive steps; (2) in the instance of positions compensated at a maximum rate exceeding \$4,300 per annum but not exceeding \$6,350 per annum, such advancement shall be by four equal, annual successive steps; (3) in the instance of positions compensated at a maximum rate exceeding \$6,350 per annum, such advancement shall be by five equal, annual, successive steps. Neither the establishment of a new minimum salary under the Compensation Plan nor the establishment of a greater number of step-rate increases thereunder shall have the effect of reducing the total compensation to which an employee, incumbent in a position at the time such change takes effect, shall be entitled. No such advancement, and no additional payment authorized in paragraph (g) below shall be made until the same shall be approved by the Personnel Committee or its authorized agent; and said Committee or its authorized agent shall not so approve until after the employing authority shall have recommended such advancement or additional payment in writing to the committee or its authorized agent.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to ratify and confirm the following votes of the Personnel Committee, taken pursuant to the Consolidated Personnel By-Law, Section 20 (d):

- (1) A vote on June 22, 1955, approving the employment of the Reference Librarian, Alice L. Tate, at an annual salary of \$3,300, which was one step-rate above the minimum, as requested by the Library;
- (2) A vote on November 9, 1955, approving the employment of the Assistant Librarian, Nancy H. Cole, at an annual salary of \$3,300, which was one step-rate above the minimum, as requested by the Library;
- (3) Votes, on June 8, 1955, June 22, 1955, August 17, 1955 and December 21, 1955, approving the action of the Fire Chief in employing Substitute Firefighters at the rate of \$10.00 per diem, the same being less than the rate (i.e. \$13.20 per diem) established in the 1955 Town Compensation Plan.

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VOTED: That the following votes of the Personnel Committee, taken pursuant to the Consolidated Personnel By-Law, Section 20 (d), be ratified and confirmed:

- (1) A vote on June 22, 1955, approving the employment of the Reference Librarian, Alice L. Tate, at an annual salary of \$3,300, which was one step-rate above the minimum, as requested by the Library;
- (2) A vote on November 9, 1955, approving the employment of the Assistant Librarian, Nancy H. Cole, at an annual salary of \$3,300, which was one step-rate above the minimum, as requested by the Library;
- (3) Votes, on June 8, 1955, June 22, 1955, August 17, 1955 and December 21, 1955, approving the action of the Fire Chief in employing Substitute Firefighters at the rate of of \$10.00 per diem, the same being less than the rate (i.e. \$13.20 per diem) established in the 1955 Town Compensation Plan.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 670 of the Acts of 1955, increasing the amounts of pensions, retirement allowances and annuities payable to certain former employees as therein specified; raise and appropriate a sum of money for said purposes; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That Chapter 670 of the Acts of 1955 of the General Court be accepted.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 15. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the necessary Town charges and expenses.

The Moderator explained that he would read off the budget recommendations of the Finance Committee as printed in the warrant, giving each amount according to the item number. If any Town Meeting Member desired to offer an amendment under any item he was instructed to call out "pass" when that item was read. The Moderator stated that at the end of the reading he would take up each of these amendments in numerical order and each one would be put to a vote. The original motion, as amended, would then be presented.

The first amendment by the Finance Committee passed and it was **VOTED:** That Item 84 be amended to read as follows:

84. Capital Outlay \$ 650.00

The second amendment by the Finance Committee passed and it was **VOTED:** That Item 102 be amended to read as follows:

102. Snow Removal \$50,000.00

The third amendment by the Finance Committee passed and it was **VOTED:** That Item 119 be amended to read as follows:

119. Expenses \$ 1,400.00
119A. Out of State Travel 100.00

The fourth amendment by the Finance Committee passed and it was **VOTED:** That Item 130 for the School Department be amended to

read as follows:

130. Instruction \$61,535.00

to be raised as follows:

Income from the Dwight School Fund 180.00
From the current Tax Levy 61,355.00

The fifth amendment by the Finance Committee passed and it was

VOTED: That Item 141 for the Public Library be amended to read as follows:

141. Books and Periodicals	\$10,000.00
to be raised as follows:	
Income from Dog Licenses	2,961.61
Income from Barr & Greenwood Funds	490.51
From the Current Tax Levy	6,547.88

The sixth amendment by Mr. Crossman passed and it was

VOTED: That Item 149 be amended to read:

149. Capital Outlay	\$ 7,254.00
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The original budget, as amended, was then accepted. It was

VOTED: That the following sums of money be granted and appropriated for the several specific purposes hereinafter designated, together with authority to credit the purchase price of new equipment with the value of the old equipment to be turned in, said sums of money to be expended only for such purposes under the direction of the respective boards, committees, or officers of the Town as follows:

Accounting:

1. Salaries	\$ 18,317.00
2. Expenses	1,465.00
3. Capital Outlay	884.00

Assessors:

4. Salaries	18,285.00
5. Expenses	2,365.00
6. Travel out of State	300.00
7. Capital Outlay	220.00

Board of Appeals:

8. Salaries	720.00
9. Expenses	594.00

Finance Committee:

10. Salaries	700.00
11. Expenses	2,300.00

Legal:

12. Salaries	4,500.00
13. Expenses	750.00
14. Damages	250.00

Planning Board:

15. Salaries	2,000.00
16. Expenses	1,800.00
17. Capital Outlay	90.00

Registrars:

18. Salaries	3,657.00
19. Tellers and Canvassers	7,800.00
20. Expenses	4,490.00
21. Capital Outlay	1,040.00

Personnel Committee:

22. Salaries	110.00
23. Expenses	305.00

Selectmen:

24. Salaries	5,740.00
25. Expenses	650.00
26. Town Meetings	1,500.00
27. Capital Outlay	190.00
28. Special Repairs — Police and Fire Station Headquarters	4,760.00

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<i>Telephone — Town Hall:</i>	
29. Salaries	2,783.00
30. Expenses	4,500.00
<i>Town Clerk:</i>	
31. Salaries	10,220.00
32. Expenses	902.00
33. Fees	60.00
34. Capital Outlay	20.00
<i>Town Hall and Grounds:</i>	
35. Salaries	9,700.00
36. Expenses	5,370.00
37. Capital Outlay	375.00
<i>Treasurer and Tax Collector:</i>	
38. Salaries	11,500.00
39. Expenses	3,445.00
<i>Civil Defense:</i>	
40. Salaries	1,965.00
41. Expenses	2,453.00
42. Out of State Travel	0
43. Capital Outlay	815.00
<i>Fire Department:</i>	
44. Salaries	212,850.00
45. Expenses	2,250.00
46. Building Maintenance	5,900.00
47. Equipment Maintenance	3,000.00
48. Supplies and Equipment	5,650.00
49. Travel out of State	150.00
50. Medical Expense	500.00
51. Capital Outlay	0
<i>Fire Alarm:</i>	
52. Salaries	5,750.00
53. Expenses	6,120.00
54. Equipment Maintenance	500.00
55. Capital Outlay	6,000.00
<i>Forest Warden:</i>	
56. Salaries	250.00
57. Forest Patrol	200.00
58. Expenses	150.00
<i>Inspection:</i>	
59. Salaries	19,383.00
60. Expenses	440.00
61. Automobile Maintenance	200.00
62. Transportation	480.00
63. Capital Outlay	360.00
<i>Police Department:</i>	
64. Salaries	163,949.00
65. Communications	2,000.00
66. General Operations Expense	5,000.00
67. Uniforms	3,100.00
68. Automobile Maintenance	6,500.00
69. Building Maintenance	3,400.00
70. Travel out of State	250.00
71. Auxiliary Police	200.00
72. Signal System	600.00
73. Capital Outlay	6,370.00
74. Spotlight Installation	225.00
<i>Sealer of Weights and Measures:</i>	
75. Salaries	1,200.00

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76. Expenses	140.00
77. Transportation	300.00
<i>Board of Health:</i>	
78. Salaries	15,105.00
79. Expenses	2,425.00
80. Hospitalization	4,500.00
81. Garbage Removal	27,700.00
82. Mosquito Control	6,000.00
83. Emergency Nuisance Abatement	100.00
84. Capital Outlay	650.00
<i>Dental Clinic:</i>	
85. Salaries	3,650.00
86. Expenses	470.00
87. Capital Outlay	106.00
<i>Public Works — General:</i>	
88. Salaries	77,800.00
89. Expenses	24,705.00
90. Travel out of State	600.00
91. Assessor's Block Plans	4,500.00
92. Capital Outlay	30,415.00
<i>Public Works — Forestry:</i>	
93. Salaries	26,900.00
94. Expenses	7,600.00
95. Town Forest Committee	1,500.00
96. Moth Control	5,000.00
97. Dutch Elm Disease	5,000.00
98. Poison Ivy Control	500.00
99. Park Improvements	2,000.00
<i>Public Works — Highway:</i>	
100. Salaries	84,250.00
101. Expenses	34,050.00
102. Snow Removal	50,000.00
103. Parking Meters	200.00
104. Street Lights	35,850.00
<i>Public Works — Sewer:</i>	
105. Salaries	42,500.00
106. Expenses	8,890.00
107. Sewer House Connections	35,000.00
<i>Public Works — Water:</i>	
108. Salaries	59,900.00
109. Expenses	36,500.00
110. Water Main Extension and Services	85,000.00
<i>Glover Memorial Hospital:</i>	
111. Salaries	310,977.00
112. Building Maintenance	34,700.00
113. Expenses and Services	10,800.00
114. Supplies and Equipment	103,000.00
115. Travel out of State	300.00
116. X-Ray and Laboratory	25,000.00
117. Capital Outlay	26,649.00
<i>Public Welfare:</i>	
118. Salaries	12,454.00
119. Expenses	1,400.00
119A. Out of State Travel	100.00
120. General Relief Assistance	5,000.00
121. Old Age Assistance	90,000.00
122. Aid to Dependent Children	9,000.00
123. Disability Assistance	10,500.00

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<i>Veteran's Services:</i>		
124.	Salaries	6,050.00
125.	Expenses	600.00
126.	Transportation	400.00
127.	Veteran's Benefits	30,000.00
<i>Schools:</i>		
128.	Salaries	1,085,295.00
129.	General Control	2,700.00
130.	Instruction	61,535.00
131.	Operations	74,500.00
132.	Maintenance	92,543.00
133.	Auxiliary Agencies	21,500.00
134.	Outlay	16,476.00
135.	Travel out of State	900.00
136.	Transportation	32,000.00
137.	Vocational Education	6,000.00
138.	Adult Civic Education	550.00
<i>Public Library:</i>		
139.	Salaries	36,423.00
140.	Expenses	3,107.00
141.	Books and Periodicals	10,000.00
142.	Bindings	1,200.00
143.	Building Maintenance	3,305.00
144.	Branch Rent	1,200.00
145.	Travel out of State	100.00
146.	Capital Outlay	370.00
<i>Memorial Park:</i>		
147.	Salaries	7,500.00
148.	Expenses	3,000.00
149.	Capital Outlay	7,254.00
<i>Recreation — Park Commissioners:</i>		
150.	Salaries	24,420.00
151.	Expenses	8,000.00
152.	Capital Outlay	3,000.00
<i>Debt and Interest:</i>		
153.	Maturing Bonds	419,000.00
154.	Interest on Debt	102,518.00
155.	Temporary Loan Interest	2,000.00
<i>Finance Committee:</i>		
156.	Reserve Fund	35,000.00
<i>Contributory Retirement:</i>		
157.	Contributions	40,656.00
158.	Expenses	1,000.00
<i>Selectmen — Miscellaneous:</i>		
159.	Insurance — General	14,857.00
160.	Insurance — Workmen's Compensation	17,000.00
161.	Insurance — Group Life	3,500.00
162.	Annuities — Gaughan, Haddock, McLeod	4,500.00
163.	Annuities — Frost	3,055.00
164.	Annuities — Cobb	2,477.00
165.	Dog Officer	700.00
166.	Animal Inspector	485.00
167.	Animal Inspector, Transportation	125.00
168.	Care of Soldiers Graves	800.00
169.	Memorial Day	500.00
170.	Town Reports	4,000.00
171.	Miscellaneous	300.00

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1957, and to issue a note or notes of the Town therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1957, and to issue a note or notes of the Town therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes that may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,000 to meet the Town's share of cost of Chapter 90 Road Construction; transfer the sum of \$24,000 from the unappropriated available funds in the Treasury to meet State and County shares of the total cost, this latter amount, when received by way of reimbursement from the State and County, to be restored to unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, as recommended by the Public Works Department; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the sum of \$32,000.00 be raised and appropriated for Chapter 90 road construction, said sum being raised by a transfer of said amount from the Excess and Deficiency Account; and that the State and County shares of said total cost, amounting to \$24,000.00, be paid, upon receipt by the Town, into the Excess and Deficiency Account.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1500 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90, Road Maintenance; transfer the sum of \$3,000 from the unappropriated available funds in the Treasury to meet the State and County shares of the total cost, this latter amount, when received by way of reimbursement from the State and County, to be restored to unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, as recommended by the Public Works Department; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the sum of \$4,500.00 be raised and appropriated for Chapter 90 road maintenance, said sum being raised by a transfer of said amount from the Excess and Deficiency Account; and that the State and County shares of said total cost, amounting to \$3,000.00 be paid, upon receipt by the Town, into the Excess and Deficiency Account.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 to meet the Town's share of the additional cost of repairs to Charles River Bridge on Central Avenue at the Dover Town line under the provision of Chapter 90; transfer the sum of \$1,750.00 from the unappropriated available funds in the Treasury to meet the State and County shares of the total cost, this latter amount, when received by way of reimbursement from the State and County, to be restored to unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, as recommended by the Public Works Department; or take any other action relative thereto.

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VOTED: That the sum of \$2,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the additional cost of repairs to the Charles River Bridge on Central Avenue at the Dover Town line, under the provisions of Chapter 90 of the General Laws; said sum being raised by a transfer of said amount from the Excess and Deficiency Account; and that the State and County shares of said total cost, amounting to \$1,750.00 be paid, upon receipt by the Town, into the Excess and Deficiency Account.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed \$3,000.00 for the construction of sidewalks under the Betterment Act as petitioned for by abutters; determine how such sum shall be raised, whether from current tax levy, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise, and how expended; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the sum of \$2,500.00 be appropriated for the construction of sidewalks under the Betterment Act as petitioned for by abutters, said sum to be expended under the supervision of the Selectmen.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed \$35,000.00 for the alteration of, specific repairs upon, and the construction of all or portions of various Town ways, including sidewalks thereon, as recommended by the Public Works Department; determine how such sum shall be raised, whether from the current tax levy, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise, and how expended, or take any other action relative thereto.

MOVED: That the sum of \$45,276.83 be appropriated for the alteration of, specific repairs upon, and the construction of all or portions of certain streets and ways, including sidewalks thereon, according to the following itemization and recommendation by the Public Works Department:

The widening of Highland Avenue by 10 feet, from May Street to Rosemary Street;

The improvement of the intersection at Highland Avenue and Rosemary Street;

Surfacing Great Plain Avenue from Nehoiden Street to Pickering Street;

Surfacing Chapel Street;

Alterations after the removal of trees;

Alterations at the intersection of Great Plain Avenue and Linden Street;

That said alterations, repairs, and construction be and the same hereby are specifically authorized; and that said sum be expended during 1956, under the supervision of the Selectmen.

Mr. Angell raised a point of order that the motion was not within the scope of the article, which specified not more than \$35,000.00. The motion was withdrawn and permission was given to postpone action until the Finance Committee and the Selectmen had an opportunity to confer.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the installation of traffic lights at the intersection of Highland Avenue and Rosemary Street, as recommended by the Public Works Department; appropriate the sum of \$6,000.00 for said purpose; determine how such sum shall be raised, whether from the current tax levy, by transfer from available funds, or otherwise; or take any other action relative thereto.

Mr. Cross moved that Article 22 be postponed at this time and be considered after Article 21. It was so voted.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to accept Abbott Street as laid out by the Board of Selectmen and according to plans on file with the Town Clerk; appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to make repairs caused by storm "Diane" of August 18, 1955; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the Town accept Abbott Street as laid out by the Board of Selectmen and according to plans on file with the Town Clerk; and that the sum of \$500.00 be appropriated for the making of repairs caused by the storm "Diane" of August 18, 1955.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to accept the following streets or parts of streets as laid out by the Board of Selectmen and according to plans on file with the Town Clerk:— Briarwood Circle, Longacre Road, Old Farm Road, Lake Drive, Arch Street from Woodledge Road to Highgate Street, Ware Road, Winfield Street, Border Road, Peacedale Road, Sterling Road, Valley Road; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the Town accept the following streets or parts of streets as laid out by the Board of Selectmen and according to plans on file with the Town Clerk: — Briarwood Circle, Longacre Road, Old Farm Road, Lake Drive, Arch Street from Woodledge Road to Highgate Street, Ware Road, Winfield Street, Border Road, Peacedale Road, Sterling Road, Valley Road.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to accept the following streets or parts of streets, as laid out by the Board of Selectmen and according to plans on file with the Town Clerk:—

- (1) Nevada Road from Greendale Avenue to Parker Road, Virginia Road from Parker Road to Nevada Road, Colby Street from Hillcrest Road to Woodledge Road, Willow Street from Walnut Street to Oak Street, Crescent Road from West Street to Union Street, Elmwood Road from Douglas Road southerly approximately 350 feet, Bond Street and portion of Washington Avenue from Falcon Street to Hawthorn Avenue, and the construction thereof including bituminous concrete sidewalks, laid at the time of construction.
- (2) Wexford Street, from Highland Avenue to Fremont Street, Brook Road from Wexford Street to State taking, Fremont Street from Wexford to State taking, and the construction thereof, including gravel borders and sidewalks.
- (3) Wachusett Road, from Mt. Vernon Avenue to Hillcrest Road, and the construction thereof, including bituminous concrete sidewalks laid at the time of construction with the exception of a sidewalk along the westerly side for a distance of 765 linear feet southerly from Hillcrest Road.

Appropriate a sum of money not to exceed \$77,000.00 for the original construction of the above streets, all under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments; determine how such sum shall be raised; whether from current tax levy, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise, and how expended; or take any other action relative thereto.

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VOTED: That the Town accept the following streets or parts of streets as laid out by the Board of Selectmen and according to plans on file with the Town Clerk:—

- (1) Nevada Road from Greendale Avenue to Parker Road, Virginia Road from Parker Road to Nevada Road, Colby Street from Hillcrest Road to Woodledge Road, Willow Street from Walnut Street to Oak Street, Crescent Road from West Street to Union Street, Elmwood Road from Douglas Road southerly approximately 350 feet, Bond Street and portion of Washington Avenue from Falcon Street to Hawthorn Avenue, and the construction thereof including bituminous concrete sidewalks, laid at the time of construction.
- (2) Wexford Street, from Highland Avenue to Fremont Street. Brook Road from Wexford Street to State taking, Fremont Street from Wexford to State taking, and the construction thereof, including gravel borders and sidewalks.
- (3) Wachusett Road, from Mt. Vernon Avenue to Hillcrest Road, and the construction thereof, including bituminous concrete sidewalks laid at the time of construction with the exception of a sidewalk along the westerly side for a distance of 765 linear feet southerly from Hillcrest Road;

that the sum of \$77,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the original construction of the above streets, all under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments; that said total of \$77,000.00 be raised as follows: from the current tax levy the sum of \$17,000.00, and that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and he is hereby authorized in the name and on behalf of the Town to borrow the balance of \$60,000.00 and to issue the notes or bonds of the Town therefor payable in not more than ten years in accordance with Chapter 44 of the General Laws as amended; and that said total sum be expended under the supervision of the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will authorize the installation of street lights in the following private ways as petitioned for by the abutters: Beech Street, Oakcrest Road, Putnam Street, and Longfellow Road; raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed \$100.00 for the purpose; or take any other action relative thereto.

Mr. Glover offered the following amendment:

MOVED: That the motion be amended by adding thereto the following streets: — Gay Street, Pond Street and Smith Street.

A point of order was raised by Mr. Angell. The Moderator declared the point was well taken and the amendment could not be acted upon. The original motion was then presented and it was

VOTED: That the Town authorize the installation of street lights in the following private ways as petitioned for by the abutters: Beech Street, Oakcrest Road, Putnam Street and Longfellow Road.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the installation of storm water drains in private ways proposed for acceptance by the Town and for extending the storm water drainage system in or connecting it with the existing storm water drainage system in public ways as proposed by the Public Works Department; determine how such sum shall be raised, whether from the current tax levy, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise, and how expended; or take any other action relative thereto.

Mr. Bell asked for an explanation where the money was to be spent. Mr. Cross then called upon Mr. Symonds, Division Superintendent of Sewers, to explain to the Town Meeting Members what was contemplated and what the results should be. Mr. Symonds outlined the program.

it was

VOTED: That the sum of \$180,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the installation of storm water drains in private ways proposed for acceptance by the Town and for extending the storm water drainage system in or connecting it with the existing storm water drainage system in public ways as proposed by the Public Works Department; that of said total appropriation the sum of \$60,000.00 be raised from the current tax levy and that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be and he is hereby authorized in the name of and on behalf of the Town to borrow the balance of \$120,000.00 and to issue the notes or bonds of the Town therefor payable in not more than ten years in accordance with Chapter 44 of the General Laws, as amended; and that said total sum be expended under the supervision of the Selectmen.

Yes 199 — No 6

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for sewer main extension in certain streets and ways as petitioned for by abutters and for various intercepting sewers in private lands under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments; determine how said sum shall be raised, whether by a transfer from the Sewer Assessment Reserve Account or from other available funds, from the current tax levy or by borrowing, or by two or more of said means, and if in any part by borrowing whether said borrowing shall be in whole or in part outside the legal debt limit in accordance with a vote of authorization by the Emergency Finance Board of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts on March 14, 1952, and under authority of Section 10 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, as amended by Chapter 56 of the Acts of 1953; or take any other action relative thereto.

There was considerable discussion as to just what part of Nehoiden Street would be covered by this work. Mr. Holden moved to postpone action under this article. When put to a vote his motion did not carry.

it was

VOTED: That the sum of \$82,239.97 be appropriated for sewer main extension in certain streets and ways as petitioned for by abutters and for various intercepting sewers in private lands under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments; that said sum be raised by a transfer of said amount from the Sewer Assessment Reserve Account; and that said sum be expended under the supervision of the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed \$90,000.00 for laying and relaying water mains for the development and improvement of the system; determine how such sum shall be raised, whether from current tax levy, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise; and how expended; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the sum of \$50,000.00 be appropriated for laying and relaying water mains for the development and improvement of the system, the said sum to be expended under the supervision of the Selectmen.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to establish the position of Administrative Assistant to the Board of Selectmen; amend Section 17 of The Consolidated Personnel By-Law so as to provide for such position and the maximum and minimum salaries pertaining thereto and amend any other pertinent sections of said by-law; raise and appropriate a sum of money for the compensation of said administrative assistant in 1956; or take any other action relative thereto.

Mr. John Bailey moved for postponement in order that Article 30 could be discussed with Article 58 and it was so voted.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$269.00 for the payment of damages resulting from land takings by Norfolk County for the relocation of Kendrick Street and parts of Webster Street; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the sum of \$269.00 be appropriated for the payment of damages resulting from land takings by Norfolk County for the relocation of Kendrick Street and parts of Webster Street.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to establish a committee, authorize said committee to engage the services of professional counsel to prepare a comprehensive plan and a detailed estimate of the cost of providing adequate facilities for housing the equipment of the Public Works Department; raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed \$1,000.00 for the purposes of said committee, as recommended by the Town Garage Committee established by vote under Article 36 of the 1955 Annual Town Meeting; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the Moderator appoint a committee of five, authorized to engage professional counsel to help prepare comprehensive plans and detailed cost estimates for providing adequate facilities at the Norris Farm for housing and repairing the equipment of the Public Works Department, and in addition to prepare plans and estimates for at least one alternative location, so that the 1957 Annual Town Meeting can vote upon these plans, and that \$1,000.00 be appropriated for the purposes of this committee.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to ratify, approve and confirm the action of the Board of Selectmen in establishing and appointing a committee to negotiate with the Massachusetts National Guard authorities for temporary headquarters in the Town for the local unit of the National Guard, and for the tentative selection of a site in the Town for a proposed National Guard Armory; continue said committee; raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purposes of said committee; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the Town ratify, approve and confirm the action of the Board of Selectmen in establishing and appointing a committee of five members to negotiate with the Massachusetts National Guard authorities for temporary headquarters in the Town for the local unit of the National Guard, and for the tentative selection of a site in the Town for a proposed National Guard Armory; that said committee be continued to the 1957 Annual Town Meeting; and that said committee be instructed to report to the Town not later than the 1957 Annual Town Meeting with its report and recommendations.

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to continue the committee established by vote under Article 9 of the Special Town Meeting of June 15, 1953, to make a study of the overall problem of the collection and disposal of garbage and refuse in the Town; authorize said committee to discuss with the Town of Wellesley a possible agreement relative to the financing, location, construction and operation of an incinerator to serve the needs of both Needham and Wellesley; authorize said committee to petition the General Court for legislation authorizing the two towns to share the cost of the construction and operation of said incinerator; authorize said committee to take options on possible sites, to prepare and present for the consideration of the Town specifications and by-laws relating to the collection of all types of refuse in the Town and plans relating to such incineration; to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purposes of the committee; to instruct said committee to report with its recommendations to a future Town meeting; or take any other action relative thereto.

The following substitute motion was presented by the Finance Committee.

MOVED: It is moved that the Committee established under Article 9 of the Special Town Meeting of June 15, 1953 to study the collection and disposal of refuse be continued and that said Committee be instructed to continue its studies and to investigate further the site of the present dump and the adjoining pine swamp to determine the future potential and cost of operation of this area as a sanitary land-fill for rubbish disposal and to authorize said Committee to take options on any parcels of land in this vicinity deemed suitable for this purpose. Said Committee is further instructed to report its recommendations to the next annual town meeting and the sum of \$1,000 is hereby appropriated for the use of the Committee.

In the discussion which followed the question was raised as to limiting the investigation to Pine Swamp. A new substitute motion was presented by the Finance Committee as follows:

MOVED: It is moved that the Committee established under Article 9 of the Special Town Meeting of June 15, 1953 to study the collection and disposal of refuse be continued and that said Committee be instructed to continue its studies and to investigate further the site of the present dump and the adjoining pine swamp or other areas to determine the future potential and cost of operation of an area as a sanitary land-fill for rubbish disposal and to authorize said Committee to take options on any parcels of land in this vicinity deemed suitable for this purpose. Said Committee is further instructed to report its recommendations to the next annual town meeting and the sum of \$1,000 is hereby appropriated for the use of the Committee.

The original motion was then presented and it was

VOTED: That the committee established by vote under Article 9 of the Special Town Meeting of June 15, 1953, be continued to the 1957 Annual Town Meeting; that said committee be authorized to discuss with the Town of Wellesley a possible agreement relative to the financing, location, construction and operation of an incinerator to serve the needs of both Needham and Wellesley; authorize said committee to petition the General Court for legislation authorizing the two towns to share the cost of construction and operation of said incinerator; authorize said committee to take options in the name of the Town on possible sites and to prepare and present for the consideration of the Town specifications and by-laws relating to the collection of all types of refuse in the Town and plans relating to such incineration; that said committee be instructed to report to the Town with its recommendations not later than the 1957 Annual Town Meeting; and that the sum of \$5,000.00 be appropriated for the purposes of said committee.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

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At this time Articles 21 and 22 were presented.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed \$35,000.00 for the alteration of, specific repairs upon, and the construction of all or portions of various Town ways, including sidewalks thereon, as recommended by the Public Works Department; determine how such sum shall be raised, whether from the current tax levy, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise, and how expended, or take any other action relative thereto.

Mr. Cherry, for the Finance Committee, explained how the money was to be spent under Article 21 and the reasons for the Finance Committee's approval of this article. There was an extended discussion relative to the merits of widening Highland Avenue. The following amendment was offered by Mr. Crabtree and it was

VOTED: Strike out Highland Avenue widening and reduce total appropriation by \$19,800.

Yes 121 — No 74

A second amendment was offered by Mr. Crabtree. This amendment did not pass.

MOVED: Strike out Highland Avenue and Rosemary Street intersection improvements and reduce total appropriated by \$5,000.00.

The original motion, as amended, was then presented and it was

VOTED: That the sum of \$9,350.00 be appropriated for the alteration of, specific repairs upon, and the construction of all or portions of certain streets and ways, including sidewalks thereon, according to the following itemization and recommendation by the Public Works Department;

The improvement of the intersection at Highland Avenue and Rosemary Street;

Surfacing Great Plain Avenue from Nehoiden Street to Pickering Street;

Surfacing Chapel Street;

Alterations after the removal of trees;

Alterations at the intersection of Great Plain Avenue and Linden Street;

That said alterations, repairs, and construction be and the same hereby are specifically authorized; and that said sum be expended during 1956, under the supervision of the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the installation of traffic lights at the intersection of Highland Avenue and Rosemary Street, as recommended by the Public Works Department; appropriate the sum of \$6,000.00 for said purpose; determine how such sum shall be raised, whether from the current tax levy, by transfer from available funds, or otherwise; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the sum of \$6,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the installation of traffic lights at the intersection of Highland Avenue and Rosemary Street; that said installation be authorized; and that said total sum of \$6,000.00 be raised as follows: by transfer from the unexpended balance of the appropriation made under Article 44 of the 1955 Annual Town Meeting \$1,500.00, and from the current tax levy \$4,500.00.

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the construction of an addition to the present Harris School building and the purchase of original equipment and furnishings for

said addition, said sum to be added to the appropriation for said purposes voted under Article 61 of the 1955 Annual Town Meeting; determine how such sum shall be raised, whether from the current tax levy, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing, or otherwise, and how expended; or take any other action relative thereto.

Mr. Gatto asked that this motion be postponed until after Article 69. When put to a vote this motion did not pass. It was

VOTED: That the sum of \$25,000.00 be appropriated for the construction of an addition to the present Harris School building and the purchase of original equipment and furnishings for said addition, said sum to be added to the appropriation for said purposes voted under Article 61 of the 1955 Annual Town Meeting, said sum to be raised by the transfer of said amount from the unexpended balance of the appropriation for the High Rock School addition.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

Mr. Edward J. Stewart asked permission to postpone Articles 36 through Article 40 until after Article 41 so that Article 41 could be discussed at this time. This permission was given and Article 41 was presented. When put to a vote it did not pass.

ARTICLE 41. To see if the Town will vote to establish a committee to make a study of the facilities of the Town Hall with relation to the requirements of the Town departments housed therein; instruct said committee to consider the possibility of utilizing the present Junior High School building for housing Town departments at such time as said building is no longer required for school purposes; and the possible use in the future of the present Town Hall building; instruct said committee to make a report to the Town with its recommendations not later than the 1957 Annual Town Meeting; raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purposes of said committee; or take any other action relative thereto.

MOVED: That a committee be established, to consist of five members to be appointed by the Selectmen; that said committee be instructed to make a study of the facilities of the Town Hall with relation to the requirements of the Town Departments housed therein, to consider the possible use of the present Junior High School building for housing Town departments at such time as said building is no longer required for school purposes, and to consider the possible use in the future of the present Town Hall building; that said committee be instructed to report to the Town with its recommendations not later than the 1957 Annual Town Meeting; and that the sum of \$1,000.00 be appropriated for the purposes of said committee.

At 11:07 P.M. it was voted to adjourn the meeting to March 26th, 1956 at 7:30 o'clock P.M.

MARIAN S. PETERSON,
Town Clerk

Attest:

ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

March 26, 1956

Pursuant to adjournment of the Annual Town Meeting held March 21, 1956, the Inhabitants of the Town of Needham qualified to vote in Town affairs met in the Senior High School on Monday, March 26, 1956, at 7:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Check lists were used and 342 voters were checked on the lists as being present. There were 225 Town Meeting Members present.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator. Rev. Herbert R. Smith offered a prayer before the business meeting was opened.

Mr. J. Samuel Slicer, Jr., and Mr. Frederick O. J. Muzi were sworn in as tellers to replace Mr. Frank Farwell and Mr. W. Raymond Hewes.

ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will vote that the new Junior High School, construction of which was authorized at the Special Town Meeting of January 30, 1956, be named the William F. Pollard Junior High School in recognition of the many years of outstanding service rendered by him as principal of the Needham Senior High School.

VOTED: That the new Junior High School, construction of which was authorized at the Special Town Meeting of January 30, 1956, be named The William F. Pollard Junior High School, in recognition of the many years of outstanding service rendered by him as principal of the Needham Senior High School.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 37. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the sale and conveyance to Anthony and Grace Pandolf of the Town-owned land off Wellesley Avenue in Needham, being a part of the Highland Park School land and being bounded and described as follows:

Northeasterly by land now of said Anthony and Grace Pandolf, one hundred twenty-seven and 74/100 (127.74) feet;

Northwesterly by Sudbury Aqueduct land of Commonwealth of Massachusetts, thirty-two and 58/100 (32.58) feet;

Southwesterly by other land of Town of Needham, one hundred twenty-seven and 74/100 (127.74) feet; and

Southeasterly by other land of Town of Needham, thirty-two and 58/100 (32.58) feet.

Containing 4,000 square feet and being shown as Lot A-1 on "Plan of Land in Needham, Mass. Highland Park School. Nov. 18, 1955. H. Gordon Martin, Town Eng."

and vote to acquire by purchase for school purposes the fee in a certain parcel of land off Wellesley Avenue in Needham, owned by said Anthony and Grace Pandolf and bounded and described as follows:

Northeasterly by land now or formerly of John F. and Helen M. Hunt, one hundred (100) feet;

Northwesterly by other land of Anthony and Grace Pandolf, forty (40) feet;

Southwesterly by other land of Town of Needham, one hundred (100) feet; and

Southeasterly by a way formerly known as Haven Street.

Containing 4,000 square feet and being shown as Lot 70 on the plan hereinbefore referred to, the first parcel above described being conveyed in an even exchange for the second parcel above described, with no additional consideration being paid by either the Town or by said Anthony Pandolf and Grace Pandolf for either of said parcels;

or take any other action relative thereto.

Mr. Leach offered an amendment to strike out the words, "Highland Park" and substitute the words, "John Eliot." This amendment was passed.

it was

VOTED: That the Selectmen, acting for and on behalf of the Town be authorized and empowered to convey to Anthony Pandolf and Grace Pandolf a certain parcel of land owned by the Town off Wellesley Avenue in Needham, being a part of the John Eliot School land, the School Committee having released said parcel from its custody for school purposes, said parcel to be conveyed being bounded and described as follows:

Northeasterly by land now of said Anthony and Grace Pandolf, one hundred twenty-seven and 74/100 (127.74) feet;

Northwesterly by Sudbury Aqueduct land of Commonwealth of Massachusetts, thirty-two and 58/100 (32.58) feet;

Southwesterly by other land of Town of Needham, one hundred twenty-seven and 74/100 (127.74) feet; and

Southeasterly by other land of Town of Needham, thirty-two and 58/100 (32.58) feet.

Containing 4,000 square feet and being shown as Lot A-1 on "Plan of Land in Needham, Mass. Highland Park School. Nov.

18, 1955. H. Gordon Martin, Town Eng."

and that the Selectmen be authorized and empowered to execute the necessary deed to effect said conveyance; that the consideration for the foregoing conveyance shall be the simultaneous conveyance by said Anthony Pandolf and Grace Pandolf to the Town for school purposes of a certain parcel of land owned by them located off Wellesley Avenue in Needham and bounded and described as follows:

Northeasterly by land now or formerly of John F. and Helen M. Hunt, one hundred (100) feet;

Northwesterly by other land of Anthony and Grace Pandolf, forty (40) feet;

Southwesterly by other land of Town of Needham, one hundred (100) feet; and

Southeasterly by a way formerly known as Haven Street.

Containing 4,000 square feet and being shown as Lot 70 on the plan hereinbefore referred to;

and that the Selectmen be authorized on behalf of the Town to accept a deed of said last-described parcel from said Anthony Pandolf and Grace Pandolf simultaneously with the delivery of the Town's deed of the first parcel described herein to said Anthony Pandolf and Grace Pandolf.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 38. To see if the Town will vote to continue the Future School Needs Committee established by vote under Article 77 of the 1951 Annual Town Meeting; authorize said committee to take options on land suitable as sites for additional school facilities; to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purposes of said committee; or take any other action relative thereto.

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VOTED: That the Future School Needs Committee, originally established by vote under Article 77 of the 1951 Annual Town Meeting and last continued by vote under Article 63 of the 1955 Annual Town Meeting be continued to the 1957 Annual Town Meeting; that said committee be authorized and directed to continue its study of future school needs, to take options in the name of the Town on land suitable as sites for additional school facilities, and to report with its recommendations to the Town not later than the 1957 Annual Town Meeting.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 39. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to defray the cost of fencing the easterly boundary of the Broadmeadow School land; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the sum of \$1,700.00 be appropriated for fencing at the Broad Meadow School land, said sum to be expended under the supervision of the School Committee.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 40. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for repairs to the Needham Heights Fire Station; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the sum of \$8,000.00 be appropriated for repairs to the Needham Heights Fire Station, said sum to be expended under the supervision of the Selectmen.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

Article 41 having been voted on March 21st the next article to be considered was Article 42.

ARTICLE 42. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the School Committee to appoint a representative to the Park Commission; or take any other action relative thereto.

RESOLVED: That it is the sense of this meeting that it would serve a useful purpose to have a representative of the School Committee attend the meetings of the Park Commission in order to continue the cooperative relationship which has existed in the past between the School and Recreation Departments.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 43. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to petition the General Court for legislation to authorize the transfer of the duties and functions of the Town Forest Committee to the Park Commission to become effective upon enactment of such legislation, without further approval by the Town; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the Selectmen be authorized and instructed on behalf of the Town to petition the General Court for legislation to authorize the transfer of the duties and functions of the Town Forest Committee to the Park Commission; and that said petition be so framed that such transfer shall become effective upon enactment of such legislation, without further approval by the Town.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 44. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to petition the General Court for legislation to authorize the transfer of the duties and functions of the Memorial Park Trustees to the Park Commission to become effective upon enactment of such legislation, without further approval by the Town; or take any other action relative thereto.

Mr. Crossman gave a history of the growth of Memorial Park from its beginning after World War I and asked that this motion be defeated.

When put to a vote the motion did not carry.

MOVED: That the Selectmen be authorized and instructed on behalf of the Town to petition the General Court for legislation to authorize the transfer of the duties and functions of the Memorial Park Trustees to the Park Commission; and that said petition be so framed that such transfer shall become effective upon enactment of such legislation, without further approval by the Town.

Yes 94 — No 101

ARTICLE 45. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to expand the present part-time position of Recreation Director to a full-time Superintendent of Parks and Recreation as recommended by the Special Park and Recreation Areas Committee; or take any other action relative thereto.

The following motion did not carry.

MOVED: That the present part-time position of Recreation Director be expanded to a full-time position of Superintendent of Parks and Recreation; that the salary of said new full-time position be established for the year 1956 at \$5,000.00 per year; and that the sum of \$1,387.50 be appropriated and made available, together with the salary previously appropriated for the Recreation Director, as salary for said new full-time position in the last nine months of 1956.

ARTICLE 46. To see what action the Town will take on the report of the Special Park and Recreation Areas Committee established under Article 56 of the 1953 Annual Town Meeting; continue said committee for further study and report; appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of said committee; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the Special Parks and Recreation Area Committee be discharged.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 47. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the filing of a petition with the General Court for legislation amending Chapter 279 of the Acts of 1932, as amended, (Needham Representative Town Meeting Enabling Act) by striking therefrom the present Section 7 and by inserting therein a new Section 7 reading as follows:

"Section 7. In the event that a vacancy occurs in the full number of town meeting members from any precinct, whether arising from a failure of the registered voters thereof to elect, or from any other cause, the Town Clerk shall at once choose the person who received the highest number of votes as a defeated candidate for the office of town meeting member in the preceding election in the precinct where the vacancy occurs, and shall notify

him of his appointment as a town meeting member. If for any reason this candidate cannot accept such appointment, the next highest in recorded vote of the defeated candidates in that precinct shall be appointed. In the event of a tie vote of those who received the highest votes as such defeated candidates, or in the event there is no such defeated candidate available, then the Town Clerk shall call together the town meeting members of the precinct where the vacancy occurs, and they shall, by majority vote of those present, elect any registered voter of that precinct to fill such vacancy. The Town Clerk shall count the ballots, make a certificate of the choice, and notify the person so chosen; and, upon receipt by the Town Clerk of a written acceptance by the person so chosen, that person shall be deemed elected and qualified as a town meeting member, subject to the right of all town meeting members to judge of the election and qualification of members, as provided in Section 3.

"A town meeting member appointed or chosen to fill a vacancy as herein provided shall serve only until the next annual town election.

"A tie vote between two or more persons for the last place to be filled by elected candidates shall be resolved by a majority vote of the town meeting members from that precinct attending a meeting called by the Town Clerk for that purpose."

Such legislation to become effective upon its acceptance at a special or annual town meeting; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the Selectmen be authorized and instructed on behalf of the Town to petition the General Court for legislation amending Chapter 279 of the Acts of 1932, as amended, by striking therefrom the present Section 7 and by inserting therein a new Section 7 reading as follows:

"Section 7. In the event that a vacancy occurs in the full number of town meeting members from any precinct, whether arising from a failure of the registered voters thereof to elect, or from any other cause, the Town Clerk shall at once choose the person who received the highest number of votes as a defeated candidate for the office of town meeting member in the preceding election in the precinct where the vacancy occurs, and shall notify him of his appointment as a town meeting member. If for any reason this candidate cannot accept such appointment, the second highest in recorded vote of the defeated candidates in that precinct shall be appointed. In the event neither of those receiving the highest or the second highest number of votes as defeated candidates is available, then the Town Clerk shall call together the town meeting members of the precinct where the vacancy occurs, and they shall, by majority vote of those present, elect any registered voter of that precinct to fill such vacancy. The Town Clerk shall count the ballots, make a certificate of the choice, and notify the person so chosen; and, upon receipt by the Town Clerk of a written acceptance by the person so chosen, that person shall be deemed elected and qualified as a town meeting member, subject to the right of all town meeting members to judge of the election and qualification of members, as provided in Section 3.

"A town meeting member appointed or chosen to fill a vacancy as herein provided shall serve only until the next annual town election.

"A tie vote between two or more persons for the last place to be filled by elected candidates, or between two or more persons with the highest number of votes as defeated candidates, or between two or more persons with the second highest number of votes as

defeated candidates, shall in each instance be resolved by a majority vote of the town meeting members from that precinct attending a meeting called by the Town Clerk for that purpose. Upon the resolution of such tie vote by the town meeting members, the person or persons not so chosen for the last place to be filled by elected candidates shall be deemed for the purposes of this section to be the person or persons receiving the highest vote as defeated candidates, and the person or persons so tied at the election with the highest number of votes as defeated candidates who are not so chosen by the town meeting members of the precinct shall be deemed for the purposes of this section to be the person or persons receiving the second highest vote as defeated candidates."

and that said petition be so framed that the legislation shall become effective upon its acceptance at a special or annual town meeting held subsequent to its enactment.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 48. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Health to make in the name and on behalf of the Town a contract between the Town of Needham and the towns of Wellesley and Weston relating to the furnishing of the services of a health officer by the Town of Wellesley to the other two towns; appropriate a sum of money for the payment to the Town of Wellesley for the services of such health officer to the Town of Needham and his expenses as authorized by General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 4A; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the Board of Health be authorized to make a contract, in the name and on behalf of this Town, with the towns of Wellesley and Weston respecting the furnishing of the services of a Health Officer by Wellesley to Needham and Weston on terms in the discretion of said Board of Health including, but not limited to, provisions fixing the status of such Health Officer as an employee of Wellesley, provisions for reimbursement of Wellesley by Needham and Weston on account of his compensation and expenses, and expense incurred by Wellesley under the retirement laws by reason of his employment, and provisions allocating among the three towns damages and expenses of defense incurred through his acts and omissions in connection with his work; and that the sum of \$3,045.00 be appropriated for Needham's share of reimbursement to Wellesley for the salary and expenses of such Health Officer in 1956.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 49. To see if the Town will vote to increase the existing parking area at the Birds Hill Station and authorize the surfacing of the parking area with "black-top", the lining of the area for systematic parking and clearly indicated entrance and exit lanes and the planting of trees along Great Plain Avenue side of the area; to authorize the restriction of parking along Great Plain Avenue near the area; to authorize the construction of a surfaced walk of ramp type from the Birds Hill Station to Great Plain Avenue; all as recommended by the committee established by vote under Articles 47 and 48 of the 1955 Annual Town Meeting; raise and appropriate a sum of money for said purposes; determine how such sum shall be raised; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the sum of \$2,000.00 be appropriated to increase the parking area at the Bird's Hill Station, said sum to be expended under the supervision of the Selectmen.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 50. To see if the Town will vote to continue the committee established by vote under Article 14 of the Special Town Meeting of November 14, 1955; instruct said committee to have prepared a Master Plan and related studies for the development of that part of the Newton Water Lands, so-called, which lies northerly of Kendrick Street and adjacent to the Charles River, and of that part of the Newton Water Lands which lies southerly of Kendrick Street and easterly of Route 128, with such alternatives and evaluations thereof as will provide a sound basis for future action by the Town; appropriate a sum of money not to exceed \$10,000.00 for said purposes; or take any other action relative thereto.

Mr. Dolan offered the following amendment which did not pass.

MOVED: Strike out \$7,500.00 and insert in place thereof the figure \$500.00.

The original motion was then presented and it was

VOTED: That the committee established by vote under Article 14 of the Special Town Meeting of November 14, 1955, be continued to the 1957 Annual Town Meeting; that said committee be authorized and instructed to negotiate with the City of Newton, the Metropolitan District Commission and individuals interested in the development of the Newton Water Lands, so-called, and to have prepared a Master Plan and related studies for the development of said area with such alternatives and evaluations as will provide a sound basis for future action by the Town; that said committee be instructed to report to the Town with its recommendations as to what action will best serve the interests of the Town not later than the 1957 Annual Town Meeting; and that the sum of \$7,500.00 be appropriated for the purposes of said committee.

ARTICLE 51. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the construction of an addition to the Public Library building and the purchase of original furnishings and equipment therefor; raise and appropriate a sum of money for said purposes; determine how said sum shall be raised, whether from the current tax levy, by transfer from available funds or by borrowing, and how expended; or take any other action relative thereto.

Mr. Atchinson, for the Library Trustees, presented the following motion.

MOVED: That the Town authorize the construction of an addition to the Public Library building and the purchase of original furnishings and equipment therefor; that the sum of \$143,500.00 be raised and appropriated for said construction, including necessary plans, specifications, working drawings and architects' fees, and for said original equipment and furnishings; that of said total amount the sum of \$18,500.00 be raised from the current tax levy, and that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and he is hereby authorized in the name and on behalf of the Town to borrow the balance of \$125,000.00 and to issue the notes or bonds of the Town therefor, payable in not more than ten years, under the authority of and in accordance with Chapter 44 of the General Laws; that said construction and purchase be under the supervision of the Library Trustees who are hereby authorized to contract for and in the name of the Town and to do all other acts and things necessary for the accomplishment of the foregoing purposes.

Yes 93 — No 93

As this motion lacked the necessary two-thirds vote it did not pass.

ARTICLE 52. To see if the Town will vote to acquire by eminent domain for library purposes a strip of land adjoining on the west the Town land now used for library purposes, said strip being bounded and described as follows:

Easterly by land of Town of Needham, one hundred sixty and 40/100 (160.40) feet;

Southerly by the southerly side-line of Rosemary Street ten (10) feet;

Westerly by land of owners unknown, one hundred sixty-one and 5/10 (161.5) feet, more or less; and

Northerly by land of Christ Church, Needham, ten (10) feet more or less.

Being the easterly half of the twenty-foot strip of land known as Library Place running from Rosemary Street to said land of Christ Church and being shown on Plan by John E. Titus dated September 12, 1919, recorded with Norfolk Deeds on December 7, 1923, as Plan No. 680 of 1923, and being owned by the heirs and devisees of William Carter;

raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of said acquisition; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, be authorized and empowered to acquire by eminent domain for public library purposes the fee simple in a certain parcel of land in Needham, with the trees and structures thereon, bounded and described as follows:

Easterly by land of Town of Needham, one hundred sixty and 40/100 (160.40) feet;

Southerly by the southerly side-line of Rosemary Street ten (10) feet;

Westerly by land of owners unknown, one hundred sixty-one and 5/10 (161.5) feet, more or less; and

Northerly by land of Christ Church, Needham, ten (10) feet more or less.

Being the easterly half of the twenty-foot strip of land known as Library Place running from Rosemary Street to said land of Christ Church and being shown on Plan by John E. Titus dated September 12, 1919, recorded with Norfolk Deeds on December 7, 1923, as Plan No. 680 of 1923, and being owned by the heirs and devisees of William Carter;

and that the sum of \$1.00 be appropriated for the purposes of said acquisition.

Yes 146 — No 33

Mr. Hardy moved for reconsideration and it was voted that this article be reconsidered.

Reconsideration: Yes 117 — No 60

The motion was presented the second time and it did not prevail. The vote was

Yes 77 — No 108

ARTICLE 53. To see if the Town will vote to authorize new construction in the Public Library building and the purchase of original furnishings and equipment therefor; raise and appropriate a sum of money for said purposes; determine how said sum shall be raised, whether from the current tax levy, by transfer from available funds or by borrowing, and how expended; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the Town authorize new construction in the Public Library building and the purchase of original furnishings and equipment therefor; that the sum of \$39,000.00 be raised and appropriated for said purposes; that said new construction and purchase be under the supervision of the Library Trustees who are hereby authorized to contract for and in the name of the Town and to do all other acts and things necessary for the accomplishment of the foregoing purposes.

ARTICLE 54. To see if the Town will vote to amend its General By-Laws by inserting therein a new Section 16 in Article II thereof to read as follows:

Section 16. Public Administration Research Collection at the Public Library. There is hereby established, and there shall hereafter be maintained, a public administration research collection at the Town's Public Library, the same to be under the supervision of the Librarian, for the use of the town officers and committees, civic organizations and individual citizens of the Town engaged in research in matters pertaining to governmental and social problems, particularly as they relate to the Town of Needham. To the extent that the department's facilities permit, it shall assist the members of the town meeting and any committee thereof in all matters requiring statistical research or fact-finding in connection with studies ordered by the town meeting.

"The chairman of each temporary study committee established by the town meeting shall, upon the termination of the existence and the work of his committee, deposit with the Town Librarian the working papers and other material gathered or compiled by the committee in the course of its work. Subject to the approval of the Town Clerk and the requirements of Chapter 66 of the General Laws, the Town Librarian may destroy so much of said working papers and material as has no substantial value; and the balance shall be deposited in the public administration collection.

"The Town Clerk shall furnish the Town Librarian with at least two copies of every publication issued by the Town and distributed through said Town Clerk's office; and any town department, board, commission or committee publishing a report not so distributed shall file at least two copies thereof with the Town Librarian."

or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the Town amend its General By-Laws by inserting therein a new Section 16 in Article II thereof, to read as follows:

Section 16. Public Administration Research Collection at the Public Library. There is hereby established, and there shall hereafter be maintained, a public administration research collection at the Town's Public Library, the same to be under the supervision of the Librarian, for the use of the town offices and committees, civic organizations and individual citizens of the Town engaged in research in matters pertaining to governmental and social problems, particularly as they relate to the Town of Needham. To the extent that the department's facilities permit, it shall assist the members of the town meeting and any committee thereof in all matters requiring statistical research or fact-finding in connection with studies ordered by the town meeting.

"The chairman of each temporary study committee established by the town meeting shall, upon the termination of the existence and the work of his committee, deposit with the Town Librarian the working papers and other material gathered or compiled by the committee in the course of its work. Subject to the approval

of the Town Clerk and the requirements of Chapter 66 of the General Laws, the Town Librarian may destroy so much of said working papers and material as has no substantial value; and the balance shall be deposited in the public administration collection.

"The Town Clerk shall furnish the Town Librarian with at least two copies of every publication issued by the Town and distributed through said Town Clerk's office; and any town department, board, commission or committee publishing a report not so distributed shall file at least two copies thereof with the Town Librarian."

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 55. To see if the Town will vote to continue the Town-owned Lands Committee, initially established by vote under Article 77 of the 1953 Annual Town Meeting; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the Town-owned Lands Committee be continued to the 1957 Annual Town Meeting.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 56. To see if the Town will vote to reserve and designate as a site for a fire sub-station in the Birds Hill area a portion of the Town-owned land on the southerly corner of Great Plain Avenue and Harris Avenue bounded as follows:

Northeasterly by Great Plain Avenue, one hundred (100) feet;

Southeasterly by other land of the Town, three hundred (300) feet;

Southwesterly by other land of the Town, one hundred (100) feet; and

Northwesterly by Harris Avenue, three hundred (300) feet, as recommended by the Committee established by vote under Article 72 of the 1953 Annual Town Meeting; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the Town reserve and designate as a site for a fire sub-station in the Birds Hills area the portion of the Town-owned land on the southerly corner of Great Plain Avenue and Harris Avenue bounded and described as follows:

Northeasterly by Great Plain Avenue, one hundred (100) feet;

Southeasterly by other land of the Town, three hundred (300) feet;

Southwesterly by other land of the Town, one hundred (100) feet; and

Northwesterly by Harris Avenue, three hundred (300) feet.

Yes 142 — No 36

ARTICLE 57. To see if the Town will vote to acquire by purchase as a site for a fire sub-station in the Charles River Village area of the Town a parcel of land in Needham owned by Richard D. Burnham, being shown on a plan by Cheney & Woodbury, Civil Engineers, dated December 23, 1955, heretofore recorded with Norfolk Deeds, and being bounded and described as follows:

Northeasterly by Charles River Street, in three lines, 37.64 feet, 237.02 feet, and 282.16 feet;

Southeasterly by land of Paul H. and Natalie B. Taylor, 176.03 feet;

Northeasterly again by the same, 84.98 feet;

Southeasterly again by the land of Max Garelick, 233.22 feet;

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Southwesterly by the last named land, 272.54 feet;
Southeasterly again by the last named land, 83 feet, and the
 last two lines running in part through the pond;
Southwesterly again by other land of the grantors, 250.00 feet;
Northwesterly by the last named land, 35.82 feet;
Southwesterly again by the last named land, 250.32 feet; and
Northwesterly again by land of Dominic Ferrara, 112.5 feet,
 and by land of John L. and Margaret Minnis, 533.33 feet.
 Containing 377,795 square feet or 8.67 acres according to said
 plan.

as recommended by the Committee established by vote under Article 72 of the 1953 Annual Town Meeting: raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of said acquisition; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That Article 71 be brought forward and considered with Article 57.

ARTICLE 71. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase land on Charles River Street for recreation and other Town use.

The following substitute motion was presented and it was

VOTED: That the Selectmen be authorized on behalf of the Town to purchase for public recreation purposes and as a site for a fire sub-station a parcel of land in the Charles River area of the Town owned by Richard D. Burnham, being shown on a plan by Cheney & Woodbury, Civil Engineers, dated December 23, 1955, heretofore recorded with Norfolk Deeds, and being bounded and described as follows:

Northeasterly by Charles River Street, in three lines, 37.64 feet, 237.02 feet, and 282.16 feet;

Southeasterly by land of Paul H. and Natalie B. Taylor, 176.03 feet;

Northeasterly again by the same, 84.98 feet;

Southeasterly again by the land of Max Garelick, 233.22 feet;

Southwesterly by the last named land, 272.54 feet;

Southeasterly again by the last named land, 83 feet, and the
 last two lines running in part through the pond;

Southwesterly again by other land of the grantors, 250.00 feet;

Northwesterly by the last named land, 35.82 feet;

Southwesterly again by the last named land, 250.32 feet; and

Northwesterly again by land of Dominic Ferrara, 112.5 feet,
 and by land of John L. and Margaret Minnis, 533.33 feet.

Containing 377,795 square feet or 8.67 acres according to said
 plan.

and that the sum of \$9,100.00 be appropriated for the purpose of said acquisition.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

Article 30 was considered at this time in connection with Article 58 as previously voted.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to establish the position of Administrative Assistant to the Board of Selectmen; amend Section 17 of The Consolidated Personnel By-Laws so as to provide for such position and the maximum and minimum salaries pertaining thereto and amend any other pertinent sections of said by-law; raise and appropriate a sum of money for the compensation of said administrative assistant in 1956; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 58. To see if the Town will vote to establish a committee for the purpose of investigating the Town Manager and Executive Secretary forms of government; or take any other action relative thereto.

Mr. Cross presented the following motion.

MOVED: That the position of Administrative Assistant to the Board of Selectmen be established the duties of the position to be as follows: to represent the Board of Selectmen, when so directed, at hearings involving the interests of the Town; to investigate all complaints presented to the Board; to assist in the preparation of budgets of Departments under the jurisdiction of the Board; to handle all correspondence of the Board; to act as liaison with all departments and committees appointed by the Board; to collect and furnish the Board with information on questions coming before it for decision; to act as purchasing agent for the departments under the Board's jurisdiction; to see that orders and policies of the Board are carried out as directed; to compile such reports as the Board may require from time to time; and to perform such other duties as the Board shall from time to time determine; that Section 17 of the Consolidated By-Law be amended by adding thereto the following position and minimum and maximum rate of compensation: "Administrative Assistant to the Board of Selectmen — \$5,600.00 - \$6,200.00"; and that the sum of \$4,200.00 be appropriated for the salary of such Administrative Assistant for the year 1956.

Mr. Baker presented the following substitute motion which was accepted. It was

VOTED: That a committee be established, to consist of five members to be appointed by the Moderator; that said committee be instructed to make a study of the advisability of the establishment in Needham of the Town Manager and Executive Secretary forms of government; and that said committee be instructed to make a report to the Town, with its recommendations, not later than the 1957 Annual Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 59. To see if the Town will vote to provide that at the Annual Town Election held in the Town in 1957, and at each succeeding Annual Town Election in said Town, the term of office for which members of the Board of Selectmen shall be elected henceforth shall be one year; otherwise act to restore one-year terms of office for members of said Board; or take any other action relative thereto.

The following motion did not pass.

MOVED: That at the Annual Town Election held in the Town in 1957, and at each succeeding Annual Town Election in said Town, the term of office for which members of the Board of Selectmen shall be elected henceforth shall be one year.

ARTICLE 60. To see if the Town will vote to direct the Personnel Committee, established by Section 3 of Article X of the General By-Laws, to make an investigation and study of the feasibility of instituting a merit system for promotions of employees in Town departments not subject to the Civil Service Law, said study to include, among other things, the practical administrative problems encountered by private industry and by government in operating such a system; whether, as an alternative, the Town shall vote to establish a special committee to make the aforesaid study; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the Personnel Committee, established by Section 3 of Article X of the General By-Laws be hereby directed to make an investigation and study of the feasibility of instituting a merit system for promotion of employees in the Town departments not subject to the Civil Service Law, with a view to finding alternatives to said Law, said study to include, among other things, the practical administrative problems encountered by private industry and by government in operating such a system, said Committee to report its findings and recommendations, if any, to the Town not later than the 1957 Annual Town Meeting.

Yes 84 — No 75

ARTICLE 61. To see if the Town will vote to direct the Transportation Committee, or a special committee established for the purpose, to make a study and investigation of the conditions of travel on passenger cars operated on the Needham Branch of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, including, but not limited to, the adequacy of sanitary facilities and the use of over-heated and dirty cars for the transportation of passengers during the summer months; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the Transportation Committee be hereby directed to make a study and investigation of the conditions of travel on passenger cars operated on the Needham Branch of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad, including, but not limited to, the adequacy of sanitary facilities and the use of over-heated and dirty cars for the transportation of passengers during the summer months, and that said Committee report its findings thereon to the Board of Selectmen and to the Town not later than the 1957 Annual Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 62. To see if the Town will vote to petition the General Court for a change in the statute (Acts of 1932, c. 279, as amended) governing the method of filling vacancies caused in the Town Meeting membership of a precinct by reason of the death, resignation or removal from the precinct or the Town of the incumbent; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That this Article be dismissed, in view of action taken under Article 47.

ARTICLE 63. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article II of its General By-Laws by inserting after Section 9 thereof the following section, or take any other action relative thereto:

Section 9A.—(a) No person shall be appointed to be architect or designer of any project entered into by the Town for the construction, reconstruction, alteration or enlargement of a Town building costing more than ten thousand dollars who is not a person registered by the Commonwealth as an architect or professional engineer pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 112 of the General Laws; nor shall any partnership or corporation be so appointed unless at the time thereof a majority of the partners of the partnership or a majority of the officers of the corporation shall be so registered.

(b) Every Town contract for a project described in paragraph (a) of this section shall provide, among other appropriate terms, that no person shall be appointed clerk-of-the-works of such project unless at the time thereof: (1) he shall be registered by the Commonwealth as an architect or professional engineer under the

provisions of Chapter 112 of the General Laws, shall have had at least five years' experience in the construction and supervision of construction of buildings for an architectural, engineering or construction firm or association, and shall have proven ability to estimate costs of construction and to keep accurate records and accounts thereof; or (2) if not so registered, he shall have had at least ten years of such experience and shall have such proven ability to estimate construction costs and to keep records and accounts thereof. Said contract shall further provide that the appointment of such clerk-of-the-works shall be subject to the approval of the Town agency under whose control the project is being carried out.

Mr. Trowbridge, for the Finance Committee, offered the following amendment: "increasing the amount of money from \$10,000.00 to \$25,000.00." The amendment was accepted. The original motion, as amended, was then presented and it did not carry.

MOVED: That Article II of the General By-Laws of the Town be amended by inserting after Section 9 thereof the following new section:

Section 9A.—(a) No person shall be appointed to be architect or designer of any project entered into by the Town for the construction, reconstruction, alteration or enlargement of a Town building costing more than twenty-five thousand dollars who is not a person registered by the Commonwealth as an architect, or professional engineer pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 112 of the General Laws; nor shall any partnership or corporation be so appointed unless at the time thereof a majority of the partners of the partnership or a majority of the officers of the corporation shall be so registered.

(b) Every Town contract for a project described in paragraph (a) of this section shall provide, among other appropriate terms, that no person shall be appointed clerk-of-the-works of such project unless at the time thereof: (1) he shall be registered by the Commonwealth as an architect or professional engineer under the provisions of Chapter 112 of the General Laws, shall have had at least five year's experience in the construction and supervision of construction of buildings for an architectural, engineering or construction firm or association, and shall have proven ability to estimate costs of construction and to keep accurate records and accounts thereof; or (2) if not so registered, he shall have had at least ten years of such experience and shall have such proven ability to estimate construction costs and to keep records and accounts thereof. Said contract shall further provide that the appointment of such clerk-of-the-works shall be subject to the approval of the Town agency under whose control the project is being carried out.

ARTICLE 64. To see if the Town will establish a committee to make an investigation and study of the application of the Sunday Laws, so called, to business enterprises, recreational activities and other activities in the Town, said study to include among other things, the problems encountered in enforcing such legislation, the problem of non-discriminatory treatment of businesses under said laws, and related matters, said committee to report its findings and recommendations to the next Annual Town Meeting; raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purposes of said committee; or take any other action relative thereto.

The following motion did not carry.

MOVED: That there be hereby established a Committee on the Sunday Law, consisting of three persons appointed by the Board of Selectmen and three persons appointed by the Moderator to make an investigation and study of the application of the Sunday Laws, so called, to business enterprises, recreational activities and other activities in the Town, said study to include, among other things, the problems encountered in enforcing such legislation, the problem of non-discriminatory treatment of businesses under said laws, and related matters, said Committee to report its findings and recommendations, if any, to the Town not later than the next Annual Town Meeting; provided, that no person shall be appointed to said Committee who is or has been involved in litigation arising under the Sunday Laws so called, or who has publicly taken a partisan position in regard to such litigation or the enforcement of said Sunday Laws, and that the sum of \$100.00 be appropriated for the purposes of said committee.

ARTICLE 65. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town's General By-Laws by inserting after Article IV thereof the following article or take any other action relative thereto.

"ARTICLE IV-A

PUBLIC SAFETY AND PREVENTION OF CRIME

Section 1. There is hereby established a Committee on Public Safety and Crime Prevention consisting of the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen or his designated representative, serving ex officio, the Chairman of the Board of Public Welfare or his designated representative, serving ex officio, the Chairman of the School Committee or his designated representative, serving ex officio, the Chiefs of the Police and Fire Departments, serving ex officio, and four persons appointed by the Moderator. Of the persons appointed by the Moderator, originally, one shall be appointed to serve for a term of one year, one shall be appointed to serve for a term of two years, and two shall be appointed to serve for a term of three years; and thereafter their successors shall be appointed by the Moderator to serve for terms of three years. If an appointee of the Moderator shall vacate his office before the end of the term for which he was appointed, his successor shall be appointed by the Moderator for the balance of the unexpired term. The committee shall elect its own officers, may establish its own rules of procedure and may, subject to appropriation therefor, retain such clerical and other assistance and make such other expenditures as may be necessary to the performance of its duties. The Selectmen shall furnish the committee with such office space as it may need for the conduct of its business.

Section 2. The Committee on Public Safety and Crime Prevention shall, within the limits of the resources available to it,

- (a) Make continuing studies of the Town's law enforcement problems and needs, including ways and means of reducing or preventing the incidence of crime and juvenile delinquency;
- (b) Co-operate with the Chief of Police and other Town agencies, with the Attorney-General of the Commonwealth and other State officers, and with Federal law-enforcement authorities in educational campaigns designed to reduce the incidence of crime and juvenile delinquency in the Town and in the metropolitan area;
- (c) Make such special studies in the field of public safety and crime prevention as the Town Meeting or the Board of Selectmen may direct; and

(d) Submit an annual report of its activities to the Town.

The several Town departments and agencies shall co-operate with the committee." or take any other action relative thereto.

Mr. Powers stated that he wished to withdraw Article 65.

ARTICLE 66. To see if the Town will vote to name the playground in North Needham the Chester R. Mills Playground; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the River Park Playground, so-called, in North Needham, be re-named The Chester R. Mills Playground.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 67. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for additional improvements at the Cricket Field; determine how such sum shall be raised, and how expended; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the sum of \$7,500.00 be appropriated for the draining, filling, loaming and seeding of the Cricket Field, said sum to be expended under the supervision of the Park Commission.

ARTICLE 68. To see if the Town will vote to acquire by purchase or eminent domain for school purposes ten lots of land in Needham, with the trees and structures thereon, in the High Rock Area, said lots being numbered on Needham Assessor's Plan No. 92 and being owned as follows:

Lots 166 and 167 on Willow Street, containing a total of 9,000 square feet, owned now or formerly by Terence O'Connor;

Lots 168, 169, and 170 on Spruce Street, containing a total of 12,000 square feet, owned by Alexander Cameron; and

Lots 180, 181, and 182 on Poplar Street, and Lots 183 and 184 on Willow Street, containing a total of 21,000 square feet, owned now or formerly by Henry V. Perry;

raise and appropriate a sum of money for said acquisition; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the Selectmen be authorized, in the name and on behalf of the Town, to acquire by eminent domain for school purposes the fee of certain lots of land in Needham, with the trees and structures thereon, in the High Rock area, said lots being numbered on Needham Assessor's Plan No. 92 and being owned as follows:

Lots 166 and 167 on Willow Street, containing a total of 9,000 square feet, owned now or formerly by Terence O'Connor;

Lots 168, 169, and 170 on Spruce Street, containing a total of 12,000 square feet, owned by Alexander Cameron; and

Lots 180, 181, and 182 on Poplar Street, and Lots 183 and 184 on Willow Street, containing a total of 21,000 square feet, owned now or formerly by Henry V. Perry;

and that the sum of \$1,500.00 be appropriated for the purpose of said acquisition.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 69. To see if the Town will vote to establish a committee for the purpose of supervising the extension of the playground area of the High Rock School; raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed the present unexpended balance of the appropriation voted under Article 6 of the June 15, 1953, Special Town Meeting for the purpose of said construction; or take any other action relative thereto.

This motion did not carry.

MOVED: That a committee be established, to consist of five members to be appointed by the Moderator; that said committee be authorized and directed to supervise the extension of the playground area of the High Rock School; that for said purpose the committee be authorized to contract in the name and on behalf of the Town; and that the sum of \$29,000.00 be appropriated for said extension of the playground area.

ARTICLE 70. To see if the Town will vote to accept an Act Authorizing the Town of Needham to Use Certain Park Land for School Purposes as petitioned for under Article 45 of the 1954 Annual Town Meeting and enacted by the General Court in Chapter 426 of the Acts of 1954; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That this article be dismissed.

Article 71 was taken up with Article 57.

ARTICLE 72. To see if the Town will vote to approve the establishment of rotary traffic around and through Needham Square, making Chapel Street one way southerly from May Street to Great Plain Avenue, making Great Plain Avenue one way easterly from Chapel Street to Highland Avenue, and making Highland Avenue one way northerly from Great Plain Avenue to May Street; or take any other action relative thereto.

It was moved that Article 72 be dismissed and it was so voted.

ARTICLE 73. To see if the Town will vote to approve the widening of Highland Avenue from May Street to Rosemary Street on whichever side or sides may be determined by the county engineer; or take any other action relative thereto.

Mr. Cross offered the following substitute motion which was accepted. It was

VOTED: RESOLVED:—That it is the desire of this Town Meeting that the Board of Selectmen undertake the necessary preliminary steps to make possible the widening of Highland Avenue from May Street to Rosemary Street.

Mr. Shepherd asked for reconsideration of the vote under Article 73. When put to a vote the reconsideration did not prevail.

ARTICLE 74. To see if the Town will vote to approve the widening of Highland Avenue from Rosemary Street to Hildreth Place on whichever side or sides may be determined by the county engineer; or take any other action relative thereto.

It was voted to dismiss this article.

ARTICLE 75. To see if the Town will vote to approve the construction of two raised islands and the installation of beacon lights over the present islands painted on the road at the intersection of Great Plain Avenue, Mount Vernon Avenue and Beaufort Avenue; raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose; or take any other action relative thereto.

It was voted that this article be dismissed.

ARTICLE 76. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for the use of the Planning Board for continuation of general town planning; or take any other action relative thereto.

The following motion did not carry.

MOVED: That the sum of \$5,000.00 be appropriated for the use of the Planning Board for continuation of its study of general town planning.

ARTICLE 77. To see if the Town will vote to amend its Zoning Map by changing from a single residence district to a manufacturing district that land in Needham bounded and described as follows:

Northwesterly by Ellis Street;
Northeasterly by Hampton Avenue;
Southerly by Kearney Road;
Southwesterly by Gould Street;

As shown on plan by Cheney & Woodbury, Civil Engineers,
dated August 1, 1955, on file with the Planning Board;
or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the Town's Zoning Map be amended by changing from a single residence district to a manufacturing district that land in Needham bounded and described as follows:

Northwesterly by Ellis Street;
Northeasterly by Hampton Avenue;
Southerly by Kearney Road;
Southwesterly by Gould Street;

As shown on plan by Cheney & Woodbury, Civil Engineers,
dated August 1, 1955, on file with the Planning Board;

Yes 122 — No 50

This being more than the necessary two-thirds vote the motion carried.

ARTICLE 78. To see if the Town will vote to amend its Zoning Map by changing from a business district to a manufacturing district that land in Needham bounded and described as follows:

Lots 110 and 111 in the Fremont Park sub-division, as shown
on Assessors' Plan No. 185, said lots abutting on Brook Road;
or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the Town's Zoning Map be amended by changing from a business district to a manufacturing district that land in Needham bounded and described as follows:

Lots 110 and 111 in the Fremont Park sub-division, as shown
on Assessors' Plan No. 185, said lots abutting Brook Road.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 79. To see if the Town will vote to continue the Charles River Lands Committee, initially established by vote under Article 51 of the 1953 Annual Town Meeting; raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purposes of said committee; or take any other action relative thereto.

TOWN OF NEEDHAM

The following motion did not carry.

MOVED: That the Charles River Lands Committee be continued to the 1957 Annual Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 80. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Excess and Deficiency Account to meet, in part, appropriations made by this Town Meeting, and to authorize the Town's Assessors to use such sum as available funds to meet appropriations in their computation of the tax rate for the current year; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the sum of \$236,500.00 be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account to meet, in part, appropriations made by this Town Meeting, and that the Town's Assessors be authorized to use such sum as available funds to meet appropriations in their computation of the tax rate for the current year.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 81. To see if the Town will vote to have printed the reports of its officers and committees for the year 1956, the proceedings of this and prior and subsequent Town Meetings in 1956, and the Assessors' valuation list for 1956; raise and appropriate a sum of money for said purposes; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That not exceeding 7200 copies of the reports of Town Officers and Departments for 1956 be printed; that one copy of the consolidation of these reports be delivered to each dwelling house in the Town; that not exceeding 500 copies of the proceedings of this and subsequent Town Meetings in 1956 be printed, the same to be distributed as the Selectmen shall determine; and that the preparation, printing and distribution of all said reports be under the supervision of the Selectmen.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 82. To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation, transfer from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise, such sums of money as may be necessary for all or any of the purposes mentioned in the foregoing articles, especially to act upon all appropriations asked for, or proposed by the Selectmen, or any Town officer or committee; to appoint such committees as may be decided upon; and to take action upon any other matters which properly may come before the meeting.

The following resolution was presented by Mr. Frykberg and it was

RESOLVED: That it is the desire of this Town Meeting that the Commissioners of Public Works file a detailed explanation of all Public Works Articles in the 1957 Annual Town Warrant, said report to be printed in the Appendix to the 1957 Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

Mr. Hunter presented the following resolution and it was

RESOLVED: That in view of the substantial increase in the time required to transact business at the annual meeting of the Town, primarily because of growth of the Town, and for the greater convenience of Town

Meeting Members, it is the sense of this meeting that the proposal to hold Annual Meetings on Saturday, possibly the third Saturday in March, should receive careful consideration.

Be it further resolved that the Moderator be authorized to appoint a committee of five to study this proposal and to report their findings and recommendations to the 1957 Annual Meeting of the Town or at a special meeting prior thereto.

Mr. Bell presented the following resolution and it was

RESOLVED: That the Town of Needham places itself on record in support of the subject matter of current Senate Bills No. 182 and 183 proposing amendments of the Massachusetts Constitution limiting the powers of the General Court to enact special local laws affecting the affairs of particular towns and cities and laws imposing additional costs on the cities and towns without the means of paying them, and, further, that copies of this resolution be sent to the representatives of the Town in the Senate and House of Representatives, and to the Chairman of the Committee on Constitutional Law of the General Court.

There being no further business to transact the Town Meeting was dissolved at 12:25 o'clock A.M., March 27, 1956.

MARIAN S. PETERSON,
Town Clerk.

Attest:

TOWN OF NEEDHAM

TOWN CLERK'S RECORDS

OF THE

Record of Presidential Primary

April 24, 1956

AND

Record of State Primary

September 18, 1956

AND

Record of Special Town Meeting

October 1, 1956

AND

Record of State Election

November 6, 1956

AND

Report of State Audit

August 15, 1955



NEEDHAM TIMES

1956

RECORD OF PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY

April 24, 1956

Pursuant to the Warrant issued by the Selectmen, March 27, 1956, the Inhabitants of the Town of Needham, qualified to vote in elections, met at the polling places designated for the several precincts in said Needham on Tuesday, the twenty-fourth day of April in the year 1956 at 12 o'clock noon. The polls remained open until eight o'clock in the afternoon.

The polling places had been designated as follows:

The voters of Precincts 1 and 3, in the Junior High School

The voters of Precinct 2, in the Harris School

The voters of Precinct 4, in the High Rock School

The voters of Precinct 5, in the William Carter School

The voters of Precinct 6, in the William Mitchell School

The ballot box returns in the Precincts were as follows:

<i>Precincts</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>6</i>
1:00 P.M.	7	6	12	5	2	7
2:00 P.M.	13	12	23	16	5	17
3:00 P.M.	22	27	32	23	13	25
4:00 P.M.	39	36	41	27	16	31
5:00 P.M.	48	49	55	36	22	40
6:00 P.M.	65	66	63	58	38	60
7:00 P.M.	86	91	103	83	44	81
8:00 P.M.	105	118	136	107	61	99

The Town Clerk and the Selectmen, upon receipt of the returns from the several precincts, forthwith canvassed the same and announced the results at 11:10 P.M.

The total number of votes cast was as follows:

Precinct 1	.....	105
Precinct 2	.....	118
Precinct 3	.....	136
Precinct 4	.....	107
Precinct 5	.....	61
Precinct 6	.....	99
Total	.....	<hr/>626

(.054% of Registered Voters)

The result of the balloting was as follows:

TOWN OF NEEDHAM

REPUBLICAN PARTY

Delegates-at-large

	<i>Precincts</i>					<i>Total</i>
	1	2	3	4	5	6
Christian A. Herter, Millis	82	100	114	84	42	85
Levenett Saltonstall, Dover	80	99	113	85	41	85
Joseph W. Martin, Jr., No. Attleboro	80	94	107	79	41	81
Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., Beverly	77	99	109	84	41	83
Sinclair Weeks, Boston	75	94	105	78	38	81
Elmer C. Nelson, Mendon	71	86	92	71	33	68
Ralph H. Bonnell, Winchester	71	86	97	75	35	70
Esther W. Wheeler, Malden	71	87	96	74	36	71
Robert F. Bradford, Cambridge	76	92	109	79	38	79
Thomas Pappas, Belmont	70	86	100	75	33	71
Blanks	97	87	128	86	122	96

Alternate Delegates-at-large

Basil Brewer, New Bedford	69	80	95	71	35	69	419
Bruce Crane, Dalton	70	85	97	73	33	69	427
Katherine G. Howard, Reading	72	86	102	75	33	71	439
Charles J. Innes, Boston	68	85	97	76	33	71	430
Daniel J. Lynch, Belmont	66	82	93	74	31	68	414
Maxwell M. Rabb, Brookline	68	86	98	78	34	76	440
Richard F. Treadway, Sturbridge	72	86	99	76	34	72	439
John A. Volpe, Winchester	70	88	102	76	36	75	447
William W. White, Worcester	67	83	94	72	34	68	418
Sumner G. Whittier, Everett	80	94	107	79	40	83	483
Blanks	148	155	186	120	157	148	914

District Delegates (Thirteenth District)

Charles W. Hedges, Quincy	71	90	105	77	36	75	454
Hjalmar R. Peterson, Brockton	70	91	97	75	36	65	434
Blanks	29	21	32	22	28	34	166

Alternate District Delegates (Thirteenth District)

Leslie B. Cutler, Needham	80	94	106	84	43	82	489
Vernon B. Hitchins, Dedham	72	90	99	75	36	69	441
Blanks	18	18	29	15	21	23	124

TOWN CLERK'S RECORDS

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	Precincts						Total
	1	2	3	4	5	6	
Carlton B. Taber, Canton	74	90	102	75	42	73	456
Blanks	11	11	15	12	8	14	71
Florence G. Claussen, Wellesley	73	86	98	77	40	71	445
Blanks	12	15	19	10	10	16	82
Town Committee							
Philip F. Foss, 90 Paul Revere Road	70	83	94	74	38	74	433
Harold Leslie Cramer, 71 Grant Street	70	82	93	76	37	70	428
Frank W. Brett, 83 Fair Oaks Park	71	83	92	76	35	66	423
Leslie B. Cutler, 1010 South Street	78	92	107	81	42	81	481
Harold Putnam, 315 Warren Street	71	91	103	76	41	80	462
Frances K. Dermody, 887 South Street	68	83	96	73	34	67	421
Florence S. Grinspoon, 94 Reservoir Street	65	79	87	69	33	63	396
Janet A. Peck, 1605 Great Plain Avenue	64	81	90	74	37	64	410
Meyer J. Gordon, 7 South Street	67	80	87	75	34	65	408
Joseph M. Mastropieri, 71 Maple Street	64	77	86	72	31	62	392
Robert W. Jensen, 58 Longacre Road	64	75	89	74	33	62	397
Barry Timson, 68 Redington Road	65	77	89	76	35	62	404
George F. Betencourt, 136 Valley Road	63	79	88	74	33	62	399
Harry W. Baughman, Jr., 262 Hillcrest Road	63	77	89	70	32	65	396
Walter D. Leach, Jr., 104 High Rock Street	65	82	91	75	32	65	410
W. Raymond Hewes, 162 Fair Oaks Park	65	77	92	73	34	62	403
John Wallace, 67 May Street	68	75	90	72	36	62	403
Sidney Stewart, 190 Nehoiden Street	74	81	99	74	38	69	435
Robert F. Day, 85 Maple Street	67	80	96	80	34	65	422
Francis W. Coburn, 93 Hawthorn Avenue	67	86	92	72	36	71	424
Harmon S. Shufro, 38 Bennington Street	71	84	99	80	34	67	435
Alden Eberly, 10 Lewis Street	68	82	89	75	35	64	413
Francis C. Eaton, 1652 Central Avenue	69	82	97	79	36	67	430
Eleanor R. Bixby, 27 Warren Street	66	82	88	76	32	65	409
Meriel N. Hardin, 94 Beaufort Avenue	65	83	89	74	31	64	406
Everett C. Cross, 63 Wilshire Park	69	88	99	75	37	70	438
Barbara E. Granberg, 107 Thornton Road	63	85	88	72	32	62	404
Beatrice A. Wood, 897 Webster Street	67	84	91	73	33	66	414
Conrad W. Frykberg, 18 Lindbergh Avenue	64	78	92	73	34	68	409
Leonard D'Addesio, 110 Linden Street	66	75	88	72	31	59	391

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	Precincts					Total
	1	2	3	4	5	
Harry T. Leach, 144 Laurel Drive	65	80	90	72	31	62
J. Roland Ackroyd, 245 Hillcrest Road	63	87	93	75	33	65
Catherine L. Larson, 237 South Street	66	82	97	74	32	65
Carmelo Frazetti, 45 Howland Street	61	78	86	70	30	60
Frances R. Sewall, 104 Washington Avenue	61	89	91	74	32	67
Blanks	640	676	868	445	552	737
						3918

Presidential Preference

	Precincts					Total
	1	2	3	4	5	
Eisenhower	65	92	104	77	43	74
Herter	1	1	0	1	0	1
Knowland	1	0	0	0	0	0
McCarthy	2	0	0	0	1	1
Henry Cabot Lodge	0	1	0	0	0	0
Chief Justice Warren	0	1	0	0	0	0
McArthur	0	0	1	0	0	0
Joseph Kennedy	0	0	1	0	0	0
Truman	0	0	1	0	0	0
Stevenson	0	0	0	2	0	2
Wm. F. Pollard	0	0	0	1	0	0
Jenner	0	0	0	0	2	2
Nixon	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nolan	0	0	0	0	0	1
Blanks	16	6	10	6	4	6
						48

DEMOCRATIC PARTY
Delegates-at-large

TOWN CLERK'S RECORDS

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	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
John F. Kennedy, Boston	12	15	15	16	9	6	76
Paul A. Dever, Cambridge	16	15	13	15	10	8	77
John W. McCormack, Boston	15	13	12	14	7	6	67
John B. Hynes, Boston	14	17	11	18	9	8	77
William H. Burke, Jr., Hatfield	12	12	11	11	7	6	59
Margaret M. O'Riordan, Boston	14	14	10	10	7	8	63
James M. Curley, Boston	12	14	11	13	8	7	65
Thomas J. Buckley, Boston	14	12	11	13	9	7	66
Edward J. Cronin, Peabody	14	13	11	13	8	7	66
John E. Powers, Boston	14	14	11	13	7	6	65
Michael F. Skerry, Medford	13	15	13	12	7	6	66
Albert S. Previte, Jr., Lawrence	12	12	9	10	6	6	55
John A. Callahan, Lawrence	14	12	9	11	6	7	59
J. William Belanger, Boston	12	11	9	10	6	6	54
Daniel Rudsten, Boston	12	12	9	10	6	5	54
Ida R. Lyons, Quincy	13	13	9	11	6	6	58
Garrett H. Byrne, Boston	15	13	10	12	8	5	63
Daniel B. Brunton, Springfield	13	11	9	9	6	5	53
James D. O'Brien, Worcester	14	12	9	10	7	6	58
John F. Kane, Fall River	13	12	9	11	7	5	57
Howard W. Fitzpatrick, Malden	13	13	11	12	7	6	62
John S. Begley, Holyoke	14	12	10	9	6	5	56
James J. Corbett, Somerville	14	12	9	9	6	5	55
Jackson J. Holtz, Brookline	13	12	10	10	7	6	58
Blanks	155	97	205	198	92	140	887
Alternate Delegates-at-large							
Joseph A. DeGuglielmo, Cambridge	12	12	11	9	1	6	51
J. Henry Goguen, Leominster	12	11	9	9	0	5	46
Chester A. Dolan, Jr., Boston	15	12	12	11	1	6	57
Michael LoPresti, Boston	12	12	9	9	1	6	49
Peter J. Rzeznikiewicz, Ware	12	12	9	8	1	6	48
Francis E. Lavigne, Brockton	12	11	9	9	1	6	48
Salvatore Camileo, Belmont	12	12	9	9	0	5	47
Leonard J. Warner, Westfield	12	11	10	9	0	6	48

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	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Silas F. Taylor, Boston	13	11	9	9	0	5	47
Mary A. Tomasello, Belmont	13	13	10	9	0	6	51
Hugh J. McLaughlin, Chelsea	13	11	10	9	1	5	49
Doris M. Racicot, Southbridge	12	12	10	9	1	6	50
Anna Sullivan, Holyoke	13	12	10	9	0	6	50
Mary DePasquale Murray, Milford	12	12	9	9	1	6	49
Charles N. Collatos, Arlington	12	11	9	8	1	6	47
Anthony M. Scibelli, Springfield	12	12	9	8	0	6	47
Matthew L. McGrath, Jr., Boston	13	11	10	9	1	5	49
Joseph Garczynski, Jr., Chicopee	12	11	9	8	0	5	45
Edward Krock, Brookfield	12	11	9	8	0	6	46
James R. Carter, Lawrence	13	11	10	8	0	5	47
Thomas J. Hannon, Boston	13	11	11	9	0	5	49
Harry L. Silva, Boston	12	11	9	8	0	5	45
Jean S. LeCompte, Newton	12	13	9	9	0	5	48
John F. Cahill, Boston	14	10	11	8	1	5	49
Blanks	180	132	224	270	253	155	1214
<i>District Delegates (Thirteenth District)</i>							
Group 1							
John George Asiaf, Brockton	3	5	2	3	2	2	17
Lena E. Russo, Boston	4	5	1	3	2	2	17
Thomas F. Gallagher, Boston	6	5	3	5	3	3	25
Joseph P. McDonough, Quincy	5	5	4	5	3	2	24
Group 2							
Michael Paul Feeney, Boston	4	6	6	2	3	2	23
C. Gerald Lucey, Brockton	4	6	5	2	0	2	19
William A. Connell, Jr., Weymouth	5	5	3	2	1	3	19
James R. Lawton, Brockton	4	4	4	1	0	3	16
Blanks	45	27	48	57	30	29	236
<i>Alternate Delegates (Thirteenth District)</i>							
Group 1							
George A. Lydon, Braintree	4	5	1	3	3	2	18
James E. Fitzgerald, Brockton	5	5	2	4	3	2	21
Group 2							
Daniel P. Mullane, Braintree	3	3	3	1	0	3	13
Paul Hayward, Dedham	4	5	5	1	0	2	17
Blanks	24	16	27	31	16	15	129

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State Committee (Second Norfolk District)

	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Howard J. Buckley, Needham	11	10	8	17	8	7	61
William F. Butters, Norwood	3	3	1	0	1	3	11
Daniel E. Duggan, Jr., Milton	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
Paul L. Gallagher, Norwood	0	1	2	0	0	0	3
Paul Hayward, Dedham	1	0	1	0	0	0	2
Frederick A. McDonough, Norwood	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
William F. J. Nolan, Jr., Norwood	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Blanks	4	1	7	2	2	2	18
Sabina E. Connolly, Norwood	7	6	5	5	3	5	31
Helen J. Fay, Westwood	8	6	8	10	7	4	43
Blanks	5	5	6	5	1	3	25

Town Committee

	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Leonard T. Cusack, 1333 Great Plain Avenue	13	13	11	12	9	9	67
Leo J. Covey, 73 Sargent Street	14	13	10	12	9	8	66
Leonard A. Donovan, 100 Mayflower Road	14	13	10	14	9	9	69
Marion C. Donahue, 52 Gage Street	14	13	10	14	9	9	69
John S. Dennehy, 11 Melrose Avenue	13	12	9	12	9	8	63
Mary C. Buckley, 7 Greenwood Avenue	13	14	10	13	9	9	68
Margaret L. Covey, 73 Sargent Street	14	13	9	12	9	9	66
Stephen J. Fleming, Jr., 63 Birds Hill Avenue	14	14	13	15	9	9	74
James P. Lacey, 56 Prospect Street	14	14	11	14	9	9	71
James J. Quirk, 28 Washington Avenue	14	14	12	14	9	9	72
Ralph E. Chambers, 112 Birds Hill Avenue	15	14	13	13	9	9	73
Daniel L. Doherty, 36 Pinewood Road	13	13	9	11	9	9	64
M. Frances Hewes, 162 Fair Oaks Park	15	15	12	15	9	9	75
Alice A. Harkins, 41 Laurel Drive	14	14	12	13	9	9	71
J. Frederick Harkins, 41 Laurel Drive	14	15	13	13	9	9	73
John E. O'Connor, 96 Dedham Avenue	15	13	11	12	9	9	69
Howard J. Buckley, 17 Mayflower Road	13	13	10	15	9	8	68
James P. Coyle, 321 Hillside Avenue	14	13	11	13	10	8	69
James A. Fitzgerald, 162 Nehoiden Street	15	13	9	14	9	8	68
Theodore Hotz, 307 High Rock Street	13	12	9	12	9	8	63
Blanks	122	72	166	137	39	66	602

Presidential Preference

	<i>Precincts</i>					<i>Total</i>
	<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i>	
Kefauver	3	1	4	1	0	10
Stevenson	3	5	6	5	5	30
McCormack	5	5	7	11	5	36
Joseph McCarthy	0	1	0	0	0	1
Eisenhower	0	1	0	0	0	1
Kennedy	4	0	0	1	0	5
Symington	0	0	0	1	0	1
Blanks	5	4	2	1	1	15

The ballots cast in the several precincts were returned to the Town Clerk in the sealed packages. The voting lists used at the entrances to the polling places and at the ballot boxes with the tally sheets and copy of the precinct record of elections were also returned, all properly sealed in conformity with the laws governing elections.

MARIAN S. PETERSON,
Town Clerk

Attest:

RECORD OF STATE PRIMARY

September 18, 1956

Pursuant to the Warrant issued by the Selectmen, August 21, 1956, the Inhabitants of the Town of Needham, qualified to vote in elections, met at the polling places designated for the several precincts in said Needham on Tuesday, the eighteenth day of September in the year 1956 at 12:00 o'clock noon, for the purpose of nominating State and County officers. The polls remained open until 8:00 P.M.

The polling places had been designated as follows:

The voters of Precincts 1 and 3, in the Junior High School
 The voters of Precinct 2, in the Harris School
 The voters of Precinct 4, in the High Rock School
 The voters of Precinct 5, in the William Carter School
 The voters of Precinct 6, in the William Mitchell School

The ballot box returns in the Precincts were as follows:

<i>Precincts</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>6</i>
2:00 P.M.	115	117	125	107	73	74
4:00 P.M.	212	199	219	203	129	137
6:00 P.M.	364	420	427	383	260	397
8:00 P.M.	542	743	733	768	538	729

The Town Clerk and the Selectmen, upon receipt of the returns from the several precincts, forthwith canvassed the same and announced the results at 10:20 P.M.

The total number of votes cast was as follows:

	<i>Republican</i>	<i>Democrat</i>	<i>Total</i>
Precinct 1	511	31	542
Precinct 2	698	45	743
Precinct 3	690	42	732
Precinct 4	705	63	768
Precinct 5	457	81	538
Precinct 6	678	51	729
	<hr/> 3739	<hr/> 313	<hr/> 4052

Total Vote — 4052

(33% of Registered Voters)

The result of the balloting was as follows:

DEMOCRATIC

Total Number of Votes Cast	Precincts						Total
	1	2	3	4	5	6	
31	45	42	63	81	51	313	
GOVERNOR							
Foster Furcolo, Londmeadow	18	29	29	42	64	36	218
Thomas H. Buckley, Abington	12	16	13	19	14	14	88
Blanks	1	0	0	2	3	1	7
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR							
Robert F. Murphy, Malden	17	26	25	44	50	36	198
James A. Burke, Boston	6	10	11	10	13	2	52
George A. Wells, Worcester	4	5	3	6	10	8	36
Blanks	4	4	3	3	8	5	27
SECRETARY							
Edward J. Cronin	21	36	33	58	55	41	244
Robert Emmet Dinsmore, Boston	6	5	6	2	15	6	40
Blanks	4	4	3	3	11	4	29
TREASURER							
Clement A. Riley, Norwood	11	21	25	24	36	31	148
John F. Kennedy, Canton	13	10	12	26	25	10	96
John F. Buckley, Boston	1	8	0	8	5	1	23
Henry Joseph Hurley, Boston	1	2	1	1	2	2	9
John M. Kennedy, Boston	2	1	3	1	7	2	16
Blanks	3	3	1	3	6	5	21
AUDITOR							
Thomas J. Buckley	28	39	38	59	67	37	268
Blanks	3	6	4	4	14	14	45
ATTORNEY GENERAL							
Joseph D. Ward, Fitchburg	13	20	17	24	36	22	132
Edward J. McCormack, Jr., Boston	15	24	23	34	36	24	156
Blanks	3	1	2	5	9	5	23

TOWN CLERK'S RECORDS

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	Precincts						Total
	1	2	3	4	5	6	
CONGRESSMAN							
Angelo V. Berlandi, Boston	2	3	1	10	12	6	34
Daniel W. Carney, Boston	12	13	12	14	15	7	73
Frank J. D'Agostino, Dedham	6	4	3	12	10	7	42
Michael A. DeSimone, Boston	1	2	8	2	9	4	26
Richard E. McCormack, Braintree	7	16	15	17	21	16	92
Blanks	3	7	3	8	14	11	46
COUNCILLOR							
Joseph F. X. Doherty, Quincy	3	7	6	10	20	7	53
James Morgan Flynn, Boston	8	3	8	6	16	8	49
James F. Hanlon, Boston	1	3	5	5	4	2	20
Edward M. Joyce, Quincy	1	0	1	3	2	5	12
John A. McCarthy, Randolph	5	6	5	5	4	3	28
Charles I. Mullaney, Jr., Quincy	1	3	2	5	4	2	17
Nathan T. Shindler, Boston	0	1	0	2	6	2	11
John P. Walsh	6	11	12	16	8	11	64
Blanks	6	11	3	11	17	11	59
SENATOR							
Margaret M. Blizard, Norwood	15	10	17	24	25	19	110
Henry C. Martin, Dedham	10	29	21	29	41	24	154
Blanks	6	6	4	10	15	8	49
REPRESENTATIVES IN GENERAL COURT							
Paul Hayward, Dedham	23	25	26	45	51	33	203
Paul J. Sullivan, Dedham	23	33	31	51	53	28	219
Blanks	16	32	27	30	58	41	204
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS							
John J. McKenna, Quincy	25	27	32	49	59	31	223
Howard Haines Murphy, Walpole	23	33	30	50	55	33	224
Blanks	14	30	22	27	48	38	179
SHERIFF							
Peter M. McCormack, Brookline	25	36	39	53	67	37	257
Blanks	6	9	3	10	14	14	56

REPUBLICAN

Total Number of Votes Cast	1	2	3	Precincts			6	Total
					4	5		
GOVERNOR								
Sumner G. Whittier	511	698	690	705	457		678	3739
Blanks								
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR								
Charles Gibbons, Stoneham	465	659	650	652	416		646	3488
Blanks	46	39	40	53	41		32	251
SECRETARY								
Richard I. Furbush, Waltham	466	651	641	640	400		632	3430
Blanks	45	47	49	65	57		46	309
TREASURER								
Robert H. Beaudreau, Marlborough	462	657	640	631	402		633	3425
Blanks	49	41	50	74	55		45	314
AUDITOR								
Joseph A. Nobile, Boston	452	647	633	627	393		628	3380
Blanks	59	51	57	78	64		50	359
ATTORNEY GENERAL								
George Fingold, Concord	448	647	631	627	392		625	3370
Blanks	63	51	59	78	65		53	369
CONGRESSMAN								
Richard B. Wigglesworth	453	655	636	632	403		631	3410
Harold Putnam, Needham	58	43	54	73	54		47	329
Blanks								
COUNCILLOR								
Charles J. Gabriel, Hingham	186	286	277	225	142		253	1369
Blanks	318	407	411	477	307		422	2342
	7	5	2	3	8		3	28
	447	640	620	611	388		608	3314
Blanks	64	58	70	94	69		70	425

TOWN CLERK'S RECORDS

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	Precincts						Total
	1	2	3	4	5	6	
SENATOR							
Leslie B. Cutler, Needham	461	638	628	638	410	611	3386
Blanks	50	60	62	67	47	67	353
REPRESENTATIVES IN GENERAL COURT							
George Philip Capen, Canton	188	303	294	282	177	273	1517
Ann Winslow Lake, Dedham	143	215	211	229	152	212	1162
Daniel H. Rider, Needham	444	612	580	573	352	575	3136
Harold E. Rosen, Dedham	137	161	167	186	130	161	942
Blanks	110	105	128	140	103	135	721
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS							
Russell T. Bates, Quincy	440	632	607	599	382	589	3249
Clayton W. Nash, Weymouth	430	598	589	578	372	567	3134
Blanks	152	166	184	233	160	200	1095
SHERIFF							
Samuel H. Wragg, Needham	354	512	538	522	346	517	2789
John H. Brownell, Quincy	141	175	142	168	98	146	870
Blanks	16	11	10	15	13	15	80

The ballots cast in the several precincts were returned to the Town Clerk in the sealed packages. The voting lists used at the entrances to the polling places and at the ballot boxes with the tally sheets and copy of the precinct record of elections were also returned, all properly sealed in conformity with the laws governing elections.

MARIAN S. PETERSON,
Town Clerk

Attest:

RECORD OF THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Monday, October 1, 1956

Pursuant to a warrant signed by the Selectmen on September 19, 1956, the Inhabitants of the Town of Needham qualified to vote in elections and in Town Affairs met in the Senior High School in said Town on October 1, 1956 at 7:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

The checkers appointed by the Selectmen were sworn to the faithful performance of their duties by the Town Clerk.

Check lists were used and 261 voters were checked on the list as being present. There were 191 Town Meeting members present.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by the Moderator, Harold Putnam. The Rev. Harold D. Chase, Jr., offered a prayer for the guidance of Town Meeting members.

Following this the call to the meeting and the officer's return were read by the Town Clerk, the reading of the Articles in the Warrant being waived upon motion.

A group of foreign teachers, guests of Needham residents while they are doing graduate work, was introduced to the Town Meeting.

The Moderator appointed the following tellers:—

J. Allan McKinlay
Walter D. Leach, Jr.
Elbert S. Godfrey

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the construction of a new Junior High School building on the land on Harris Avenue in Needham owned by the Town and known as Harris Woods, and the purchase of original equipment and furnishings for said building, said sum to be added to the appropriation for said purposes voted under Article 4 of the Special Town Meeting of January 30, 1956; determine how such sum shall be raised, whether by transfer from available funds, or by borrowing, or by both said means, or otherwise, and if in any part by borrowing whether under authority of General Laws, Chapter 44 as amended, or under authority of Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948 as amended; and how such sum shall be expended; or take any other action relative thereto.

The following amendment was offered by Mr. Alden Eberly for the Park Commissioners. The Town Counsel asked permission to make a technical change in the original motion by inserting the words "payable in not more than twenty years." There was no objection and these words were incorporated into the original motion. When put to vote the amendment did not carry.

MOVED: That the main motion be amended by changing the amount to be raised and appropriated to \$147,091.00, by changing the amount to be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account to \$7,091.00, and by changing the amount to be borrowed to \$140,000.00.

The original motion was then presented and it was

VOTED: That the sum of \$133,191.00 be raised and appropriated for construction of the new Junior High School building on the land on Harris Avenue in Needham owned by the Town and known as Harris Woods, and the purchase of original equipment and furnishings for said building, said sum to be added to the appropriation for said purposes voted under Article #4 of the Special Town Meeting of January 30, 1956; that of said total of \$133,191.00 the sum of \$3,191.00 be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account; that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and he is hereby authorized and empowered in the name and on behalf of the Town to borrow the balance of \$130,000.00 and to issue the notes or bonds of the Town therefor payable in not more than twenty years, under the authority and in accordance with Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948 as amended; and that said sum be expended under the supervision of the Building Committee established by vote under Article #5 of said Special Town Meeting of January 30, 1956.

Yes 152 — No 1

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$2,000.00 from the unexpended balance of the appropriation for Public Works — Highway Division Salaries, voted as Item 100 of the budget at the 1956 Annual Town Meeting, to Public Works — Highway Division Expenses, the same to be added to the appropriation for said latter purpose voted as Item 101 of said budget; authorize the use of said sum for traffic line painting; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the sum of \$2,000.00 be transferred from the unexpended balance of the appropriation for Public Works — Highway Division Salaries, voted as Item 100 of the budget at the 1956 Annual Town Meeting, to Public Works — Highway Division Expenses, said sum to be added to the appropriation for said latter purpose voted as Item 101 of said budget.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$13,000.00 for Snow Removal, said sum to be added to the appropriation for the same purpose voted as Item 102 of the budget at the 1956 Annual Town Meeting; determine how such sum shall be raised, whether by transfer from available funds or otherwise; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the sum of \$13,000.00 be appropriated for Snow Removal, said sum to be added to the appropriation for the same purpose voted as Item 102 of the budget at the 1956 Annual Town Meeting; and that said sum be raised by a transfer in the same amount from the Excess and Deficiency Account.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$36,000.00 from the Sewer Assessment Reserve Fund to the Sewer Construction Account; authorize the use of said amount for the extension of the sewerage system in streets and ways as petitioned for by abutters; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the sum of \$36,000.00 be transferred from the Sewer Reserve Fund to the Sewer Construction Account; and that the use of said amount be and it is hereby authorized for the extension of the sewerage system in streets and ways as petitioned for by abutters.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Town Water Committee to investigate and report to the Town relative to the Town's water supply and distribution system; determine how such committee shall be established; appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of said committee; or take any other action relative thereto.

Mr. Harry Martin introduced a substitute motion which prevailed and it was

VOTED: A committee of seven be appointed by the Moderator, one from each precinct, also the Superintendent of the Water Department (Roger Oakman) be included and the sum of \$200.00 be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account for the purposes of said committee. Said committee to investigate and report to the Town relative to the Town's water supply and distribution system, giving particular attention to possible methods of meeting the Town's increased water requirements.

Yes 133 — No 40

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to acquire by purchase for municipal purposes, a certain parcel of land lying adjacent to and westerly from the Town's present dump area in Needham, said parcel being owned by Herbert B. Mackintosh and consisting of sixteen acres more or less, and being more particularly described in deed of the Administrator of the Estate of Abbie A. Jones to Herbert B. Mackintosh recorded with Norfolk Deeds in Book 1152, Page 559; raise and appropriate \$3,500.00 for the purpose of said acquisition; determine how said sum shall be raised, whether by transfer from available funds or otherwise; or take any other action relative thereto.

The following motion did not carry.

MOVED: That the Selectmen be authorized, in the name and in behalf of the Town, to purchase for municipal purposes, and specifically for the purpose of a Town dump area, a certain parcel of land lying adjacent to and westerly from the Town's present dump area in Needham, said parcel being owned by Herbert B. Mackintosh and consisting of sixteen acres more or less, and being more particularly described in the deed of the Administrator of the Estate of Abbie A. Jones to Herbert B. Mackintosh recorded with Norfolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 1152, Page 559; and that the sum of \$3,500.00 be appropriated and transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account for the purpose of said acquisition.

Yes 52 — No 122

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$790.00 for the Police Department as follows: \$440.00 to be added to the appropriation for Salaries voted as Item 64 of the budget at the 1956 Annual Town Meeting and \$350.00 to be added to the appropriation for Uniforms voted as Item 67 of said budget; determine how said total sum shall be raised, whether by transfer from available funds or otherwise; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the sum of \$440.00 be appropriated for Police Department Salaries, to be added to the appropriation for said purpose voted as Item 64 of the budget at the 1956 Annual Town Meeting; that the sum of \$350.00 be appropriated for Police Department Uniforms, to be added to the appropriation for said purpose voted under Item 67 of said budget; and that said sums be raised by a transfer of the total of \$790.00 from the Excess and Deficiency Account.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,500.00 for Glover Memorial Hospital as follows: \$3,000.00 to be added to the appropriation for Salaries voted as Item 111 of the budget at the 1956 Annual Town Meeting, \$3,000.00 to be added to the appropriation for Building Maintenance voted as Item 112 of said budget, \$500.00 to be added to the appropriation for Expenses and Services voted as Item 113 of said budget, and \$1,000.00 to be added to the appropriation for Supplies and Equipment voted as Item 114 of said budget; determine how said total sum shall be raised, whether by transfer from available funds or otherwise; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That this article be dismissed.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,500.00 for Public Welfare as follows: \$6,000.00 to be added to the appropriation for Old Age Assistance voted as Item 121 of the budget at the 1956 Annual Town Meeting, and \$1,500.00 to be added to the appropriation for Disability Assistance voted as Item 123 of said budget; determine how said total sum shall be raised, whether by transfer from available funds or otherwise; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the following amounts be appropriated for Public Welfare:

\$6,000.00 for Old Age Assistance, to be added to the appropriation for said purpose voted as Item 121 of the budget at the 1956 Annual Town Meeting; and

\$1,500.00 for Disability Assistance, to be added to the appropriation for said purpose voted as Item 123 of said budget;

and that said sums be raised by a transfer of the total of \$7,500.00 from the Excess and Deficiency Account.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to amend its General By-Laws by inserting in Article VI thereof the following new section:

"Section 2A. Signs and Structures Projecting Into Ways. No sign or structure used for advertising hereafter erected, repaired, altered or replaced shall project more than eight (8) inches into, on or over a public street or way. Existing signs or structures used for advertising which project more than eight (8) inches into, on or over a public street or way shall be removed within two years after the effective date of this section."

or take any other action relative thereto.

The following motion did not pass.

MOVED: That the Town's General By-Laws be and they are hereby amended by inserting on Article VI thereof the following new section:

"Section 2A. Signs and Structures Projecting Into Ways. No sign or structure used for advertising hereafter erected, repaired, altered or replaced shall project more than eight (8) inches into, on or over a public street or way. Existing signs or structures used for advertising which project more than eight (8) inches into, on or over a public street or way shall be removed within two years after the effective date of this section."

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ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 359 of the Acts of 1956 of the General Court, entitled "An Act Relative to the Filling of Vacancies in Town Meeting Membership in the Town of Needham." said Act having been enacted on petition of the Selectmen pursuant to the vote under Article 47 of the 1956 Annual Town Meeting.

VOTED: That the Town accept and it does hereby accept Chapter 359 of the Acts of 1956 of the General Court relative to the filling of vacancies in Town Meeting membership.

UNANIMOUS VOTE

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed \$2,000.00 for Insurance, said sum to be added to the appropriation for the same purpose voted as Item 159 (Insurance — General) of the budget at the 1956 Annual Town Meeting; determine how such sum shall be raised, whether by transfer from available funds or otherwise; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the sum of \$2,000.00 be appropriated for Insurance — General, said sum to be added to the appropriation for said purpose voted as Item 159 of the budget at the 1956 Annual Town Meeting; and that said sum be raised by the transfer of said amount from the Excess and Deficiency Account.

The Town Meeting members were asked to stand in respect to the memory of David Murdoch, a former Selectman and who at the time of his death was serving the town as a member of the Board of Assessors and as a Town Meeting member.

The meeting was dissolved at 9:10 P.M. October 1, 1956.

MARIAN S. PETERSON,
Town Clerk

Attest:

RECORD OF STATE ELECTION

November 6, 1956

Pursuant to the Warrant issued by the Selectmen, October 23, 1956, the Inhabitants of the Town of Needham, qualified to vote in elections, met at the polling places designated for the several precincts in said Needham on Tuesday, the sixth day of November in the year 1956 at 6:30 in the forenoon. The polls remained open until eight o'clock in the afternoon.

The polling places had been designated as follows:

The voters of Precincts 1 and 3, in the Junior High School
 The voters of Precinct 2, in the Harris School
 The voters of Precinct 4, in the High Rock School
 The voters of Precinct 5, in the William Carter School
 The voters of Precinct 6, in the William Mitchell School

The ballot box returns in the Precincts were as follows:

	1	2	3	4	5	6
8:00 A.M.	204	282	329	367	306	330
10:00 A.M.	533	715	809	800	616	794
12:00 Noon	742	988	1106	1105	945	1079
2:00 P.M.	849	1169	1255	1320	1157	1270
4:00 P.M.	956	1281	1403	1500	1317	1440
6:00 P.M.	1150	1538	1702	1838	1675	1800
8:00 P.M.	1349	1786	1978	2218	2148	2237
Absentee Votes	77	62	88	70	56	73
*S. A. V.	11	23	27	20	11	19

* Included above
 are the SAV votes of
 persons not on regular
 voting list.

6	9	11	7	1	3
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The Town Clerk and the Selectmen, upon receipt of the returns from the several precincts, forthwith canvassed the same and announced the results at 12:30 A.M.

The total number of votes cast was as follows:

Precinct 1	1437
Precinct 2	1871
Precinct 3	2093
Precinct 4	2308
Precinct 5	2215
Precinct 6	2329
Total	12,253

(94.1% of Registered Voters)

The result of the balloting was as follows:

TOWN OF NEEDHAM

Total Number of Votes Cast	Precincts						Total
	1	2	3	4	5	6	
	1437	1871	2093	2308	2215	2329	12253

PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT

Eisenhower and Nixon, Republican	1147	1651	1843	1920	1610	1959	10130
Hass and Cozzini, Socialist Labor	1	0	0	1	5	3	10
Holtwick and Cooper, Prohibition	1	0	0	0	1	0	2
Stevenson and Kefauver, Democratic	246	204	228	370	567	354	1969
Andrews and Wardell	2	1	2	1	3	2	11
Darlington	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Blanks	39	15	20	16	29	11	130

GOVERNOR

Foster Furcolo, Longmeadow	351	292	340	524	823	490	2820
Sumner G. Whittier, Everett	1057	1569	1736	1768	1364	1823	9317
Henning A. Blomen, Somerville	1	1	0	0	5	3	10
Mark R. Shaw, Melrose	2	1	3	0	0	1	7
Blanks	26	8	14	16	23	12	99

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Charles Gibbons, Stoneham	1062	1572	1764	1791	1415	1825	9429
Robert F. Murphy, Malden	329	280	306	473	736	455	2579
Harold E. Bassett, Clinton	1	1	0	2	6	5	15
Francis A. Votano, Lynn	0	1	0	0	10	5	16
Blanks	45	17	23	42	48	39	214

SECRETARY

Edward J. Cronin, Peabody	370	327	355	532	744	507	2835
Richard I. Furbush, Waltham	1013	1512	1698	1723	1382	1776	9104
Earl F. Dodge, Boston	2	4	4	4	5	4	23
Lawrence Gilfedder, Boston	1	0	1	0	9	3	14
Blanks	51	28	35	49	75	39	277

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TREASURER

	Precincts						Total
	1	2	3	4	5	6	
John F. Kennedy, Canton	340	283	318	491	785	479	2696
Robert H. Beaudreau, Marlborough	1050	1559	1736	1765	1339	1786	9235
Isaac Goddard, Newton	5	2	2	5	11	4	29
Willy N. Hogseth, Saugus	2	0	1	1	4	4	12
Blanks	40	27	36	46	76	56	281

AUDITOR

Thomas J. Buckley, Boston	403	399	434	615	816	623	3290
Joseph A. Nobile, Boston	974	1445	1619	1652	1298	1658	8646
John B. Lauder, Revere	3	1	0	0	5	2	11
Anthony Martin, Boston	1	1	0	0	5	2	9
Blanks	56	25	40	41	91	44	297

ATTORNEY GENERAL

George Fingold, Concord	1048	1550	1718	1750	1429	1774	9269
Edward J. McCormack, Jr., Boston	333	297	345	516	729	511	2731
Fred M. Ingersoll, Lynn	3	0	0	2	3	4	12
Howard B. Rand, Haverhill	1	2	1	3	3	0	10
Blanks	52	22	29	37	51	40	231

CONGRESSMAN

Richard B. Wigglesworth, Milton	1072	1581	1742	1791	1441	1829	9456
Richard E. McCormack, Braintree	329	265	320	479	713	458	2564
George H. Perham, Needham	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Harold Putnam, Needham	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Blanks	35	25	31	38	60	42	231

COUNCILLOR

Charles J. Gabriel, Hingham	1059	1567	1719	1779	1427	1806	9357
Joseph F. X. Doherty, Quincy	303	258	318	444	675	440	2438
Blanks	75	46	56	85	113	83	458

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SENATOR

	Precincts						Total
	1	2	3	4	5	6	
Leslie B. Cutler, Needham	1168	1623	1792	1930	1664	1932	10109
Henry C. Martin, Dedham	233	217	258	343	503	349	1903
Blanks	36	31	43	35	48	48	241

REPRESENTATIVES IN GENERAL COURT (Vote for Two)

Paul Hayward, Dedham	247	222	264	390	581	396	2100
Daniel H. Rider, Needham	1135	1627	1798	1875	1539	1906	9880
Harold E. Rosen, Dedham	876	1348	1453	1502	1170	1515	7864
Paul J. Sullivan, Dedham	273	285	312	418	609	425	2322
Blanks	343	260	359	431	531	416	2340

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Russell T. Bates, Quincy	1035	1558	1698	1751	1412	1791	9245
Clayton W. Nash, Weymouth	1001	1528	1662	1675	1335	1723	8924
John J. McKenna, Quincy	268	233	288	404	595	405	2193
Howard Haines Murphy, Walpole	274	230	273	429	609	409	2224
Blanks	296	193	265	357	479	330	1920

SHERIFF

Samuel H. Wragg, Needham	1069	1534	1715	1753	1493	1803	9367
Peter M. McCormack, Brookline	304	297	335	497	656	472	2561
Blanks	64	40	43	58	66	54	325

QUESTION NO. 1

A. Shall licenses be granted in the city (or town) for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages (whiskey, rum, gin, malt beverages, wines and all other alcoholic beverages)?

YES _____
 NO _____
 Blanks _____

B. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of wines and malt beverages (wines and beer, ale and other malt beverages)?

YES _____
 NO _____
 Blanks _____

C. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages in packages, so called, not to be drunk on the premises?

YES _____
 NO _____
 Blanks _____

The ballots cast in the several precincts were returned to the Town Clerk in the sealed packages. The voting lists used at the entrances to the polling places and at the ballot boxes with the tally sheets and copy of the precinct record of elections were also returned, all properly sealed in conformity with the laws governing elections.

MARIAN S. PETERSON,
Town Clerk

Attest:

	Precincts						Total
	1	2	3	4	5	6	
A.	173	202	248	342	504	371	1840
	1136	1521	1685	1728	1399	1767	9236
	128	148	160	238	312	191	1177
B.	162	211	250	338	488	373	1827
	1104	1490	1653	1686	1362	1733	9028
	171	170	190	284	365	218	1398
C.	394	499	610	832	979	786	4100
	956	1273	1391	1350	1050	1427	7447
	87	99	92	126	186	116	706

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REPORT OF STATE AUDIT

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 40 of the General Laws of Massachusetts, the following summary of the State Audit is published.

August 15, 1955

To the Board of Selectmen
Mr. Edward J. Stewart, Chairman
Needham, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Needham for the period from October 23, 1953 to March 25, 1955, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. William Schwartz, Assistant Director of accounts.

Very truly yours,
(Signed) Herman B. Dine,
Director of Accounts

HBD:JRB

Mr. Herbert B. Dine
Director of Accounts
Department of Corporations and Taxation
State House, Boston

Sir:

In accordance with your instructions, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Needham for the period from October 23, 1953, the date of the previous audit, to March 25, 1955, and submit the following report thereon:

The records of financial transactions of the several departments receiving or disbursing money for the town or committee bills for collection were examined, checked, and verified by comparison with the records in the office of the town accountant.

The town accountant's ledgers were analyzed, the appropriations and loans authorized being checked with the town meeting records as recorded by the town clerk, and the transfers from the reserve fund being checked with the authorizations of the finance committee. A balance sheet, which is appended to this report, was prepared showing the financial condition of the town on March 25, 1955.

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked. The cash receipts were analyzed and checked with the records of the several departments collecting money for the town, with other sources from which money is paid into the town treasury, and with the books of the town accountant. The payments were checked with the selectmen's warrants authorizing the disbursement of the town funds and with the accountant's records.

The cash balance on March 25, 1955 was proved by actual count of the cash in the office and by reconciliation of the bank balances with statements certified by the banks in which town funds are deposited.

The payments on account of maturing debt and interest were proved with the amounts falling due and with the cancelled securities and coupons on file. The outstanding coupons were listed and proved with a statement of the bond and coupon account as certified by the bank of deposit.

The records of tax titles and tax possessions held by the town were examined and checked in detail. The amounts added to the tax title account were checked with the collector's books, the tax titles redeemed were checked with the receipts as recorded by the treasurer, the foreclosures were verified, and the tax titles and tax possessions on hand were listed and proved with the respective controls in the town accountant's ledger. All transactions were further verified by comparison with the records at the Registry of Deeds.

The savings bank books, securities, and cash accounts representing the investments of the trust, investment, and retirement funds in the custody of the town treasurer were examined, checked, and listed. The income was proved, the transfers were verified, and all transactions were proved with the town accountant's ledger, and, in the case of the retirement funds, with the records of the retirement board.

The books and accounts of the town collector were examined and checked. The tax, motor vehicle and trailer excise, special assessment, departmental, and water accounts outstanding at the time of the previous audit, as well as all subsequent commitments, were audited and proved. The payments to the treasurer were verified, the abatements were proved with the assessors' and other departmental records, of abatements granted, the transfers to the tax title account were compared with the treasurer's tax title records, and the outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled with the respective controls in the town accountant's ledger.

The outstanding accounts were further verified by mailing notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, and from the replies received it appears that the accounts, as listed, are correct.

The records of apportioned assessments not due were examined. The payments in advance were verified, the amounts added to taxes were proved, and the apportionments due in future years were proved with the town accountant's ledger.

The financial records of the town clerk pertaining to dog and sporting licenses issued, miscellaneous receipts, and licenses and permits issued on behalf of the board of selectmen were examined and checked. The payments to the treasurer and to the Division of Fisheries and Game were verified, and the cash on hand March 25, 1955 was proved by reconciliation of the bank balance with a statement certified by the bank of deposit and by actual count of the cash in the office.

The surety bonds of the town officials required by law to furnish them were examined and found to be in proper form.

In addition to the departments mentioned, the books and accounts of the police, health, hospital, library, and school departments, as well as of all other departments collecting money for the town or committing bills for collection, were examined and checked, the payments to the treasurer being verified.

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Considerable detailed checking was necessary in the auditing of the Glover Memorial Hospital accounts. In this connection it is recommended that the accounts be balanced monthly and reconciled with the town accountant's ledger controls.

Appended to this report, in addition to the balance sheet, are tables showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's cash, summaries of the tax, motor vehicle and trailer excise, special assessment, tax title, departmental, and water accounts, as well as schedules showing the transactions and condition of the trust, investment, and retirement funds.

For the cooperation extended by the several town officials during the progress of the audit, I wish, on behalf of my assistants and for myself to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) William Schwartz,
Assistant Director of Accounts

WS:ED

MARIAN S. PETERSON,
Town Clerk

A true copy
Attest:

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof in not less than twenty public places in said Town at least seven days before said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon unto our Town Clerk on or before said day and hour.

Given under our hands at Needham aforesaid this twenty-ninth day of January, 1957.



EVERETT C. CROSS
PHILIP F. FOSS
EDWARD J. STEWART
MARIAN F. KEITH
CLARKE H. WERTHEIM
Selectmen of Needham

A true copy,
Attest:

WILLIAM W. HEWETT, *Constable*

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES**REPORT OF TOWN WATER COMMITTEE**

Board of Selectmen
Town of Needham
Needham, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Town Water Committee has held three meetings during which the following facts have been brought out.

1. The present maximum pumping capacity of the town, utilizing the town's three wells and the connection to the Sudbury Aqueduct was established on July 3, 1956 at 5.76 million gallons per day. It was necessary to pump at full capacity 24 hours a day to meet the demand at this time.

2. The population of Needham is twelve per cent above the 1953 Metcalf and Eddy estimate for the year 1957. Expressed in another way, Needham's population growth is seven years ahead of schedule.

3. The average per capita consumption of water is approximately the same as in 1953, so that average water use is also about seven years ahead of schedule.

4. The maximum daily required pumpage has increased in three years from 3.71 million gallons per day to 5.76 million gallons per day, an increase of 55 per cent. The estimate, made in 1953, of maximum pumpage for the year 1957 was 4.0 mgd. Thus, the actual maximum pumpage is presently 44 per cent above the estimate.

5. To meet the National Board of Fire Underwrites requirements for emergency summer firefighting, the Town of Needham now requires a pumping capacity of approximately 6.5 mgd. The maximum pumping capacity of the town is 11 per cent short of this at the present time.

6. Extrapolating the present population trends shows that Needham will need at least:

8.0 million gallons per day in 1974

10.0 million gallons per day in 2000

7. At present the town's pumping capacity at the Sudbury connection is 2.0 mgd. Additional pumping capacity will therefore be needed at this point to meet the requirements of the immediate future, i.e., about 4.3 million gallons in 1974 and 6.3 million gallons in 2000. From previous studies made, it seems most unlikely that such quantities of additional water could be obtained from new wells within the town, even if legal obstacles could be overcome. (Our excellent well field at Charles River Street supplies only 3.0 mgd).

8. The unpleasant taste and color of the Sudbury water experienced last summer appears to have been to a great extent due to: (a) the lowered water level of the reservoir at Framingham required for repair of the dam. (b) the reversal in direction of flow in portions of the Needham distribution system caused by pumping into the system from the Sudbury connection. The reversal loosened old deposits in the pipes. Both of these factors should be somewhat improved by next summer.

9. Although the present Water Committee has not had sufficient time to come to any definite conclusions, it would appear from the above facts that if water of a quality comparable with that from our Charles River Street well field is to be had in Needham, it will be necessary to bring a connection from the Hultman Aqueduct of the MDC at Norumbega, to the pumping station at St. Mary Street (present Sudbury connection). Until this can be done, we must meet our emergency fire and maximum pumpage requirements by enlarging the St. Mary Street pumping station as recommended by the Town Water Committee of 1954, (Page 60, Town Warrant

of March 21, 1955) and take the required water from the Sudbury Aqueduct.

10. The Committee will continue its study of methods of increasing our pumping capacity and improving the quality of our water. We hope soon to have preliminary cost figures on various possibilities.

Respectfully submitted,

Precinct 3 — Augustus R. Rogowski, *Chairman*

1 — Roger G. Oakman, *Secretary*
Kenneth Christophe

2 — Elmer H. Everett

5 — Andrew J. Kelly

6 — Harry Martin

4 — George E. Perham

REPORT OF TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

The Board of Selectmen
Town of Needham

At the adjourned Annual Town Meeting, held March 26, 1956, under Article 61, it was voted, "That the Transportation Committee be hereby directed to make a study and investigation of the conditions of travel on passenger cars operated on the Needham Branch of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad, including, but not limited to, the adequacy of sanitary facilities and the use of over-heated and dirty cars for the transportation of passengers during the summer months, and that said Committee reports its findings thereon to the Board of Selectmen and to the Town not later than the 1957 Annual Town Meeting." Accordingly, as directed, the transportation committee, composed of A. Wilson Corbett, Leonard G. Puffer, William Seaver and Russell B. Curnett, does herewith submit its report:

With respect to scheduled trains, it has been found that the New Haven Railroad maintains and operates a schedule of 13 trains per day, Monday through Friday, with the exception of six stated Holidays, which originate Needham, Massachusetts, with final destination of Boston, Massachusetts; and the Railroad maintains and operates a schedule of 14 trains per day, Monday through Friday, with Holiday exceptions, which originate at Boston, Massachusetts, with the final destination of Needham, Massachusetts.

It has further been found that the Railroad has scheduled and maintains 10 trains on Saturday, with certain Holiday exceptions, to and from Needham, Massachusetts.

There are no Needham to Boston trains scheduled for operation from 12:33 A.M., Sunday to 6:51 A.M. Monday; nor are there any Boston to Needham trains scheduled for operation from 11:57 P.M. Saturday to 5:55 A.M. Monday.

On a weekly basis, Needham enjoys the benefit of 155 scheduled trains; 75 being outbound trains from Needham and 80 being inbound trains to Needham.

Trains outbound, between the hours 6:51 to 9:12 A.M., and inbound, 4:47 to 5:55 P.M., are usually of more than four cars in length. Between the hours of 9:12 A.M. and 4:47 P.M., the trains are usually composed of the so-called "Budd" cars.

With respect to the use of "over-heated" cars during the summer months, it has been found that the cause of the so-called "over-heating" is the result of these large trains being held in the yards throughout the summer days for use during the afternoon-rush hours. Most all commuter trains have this problem insofar as off-main line traffic is concerned. The most modern air-conditioned equipment is used for main line traffic, while

the older equipment is shunted to branch line traffic for commuter use; this practice is true not only of the New Haven commuter trains, but of other commuter trains operated by the B&M, etc.

From an economic standpoint, it is impractical for the New Haven to keep these larger trains in constant use throughout the day, inasmuch as the density of passenger traffic through the middle hours of the day is light and certainly is not self-sustaining with respect to operational costs.

It has been found that the sanitary facilities of these larger trains are not inadequate. The same may be said insofar as the smaller trains are concerned.

Cleanliness of cars is a matter of degree. It cannot be said that all trains are absolutely free of dust and grime at all times. However, it may be said that the middle of the day trains are generally more attractive from this standpoint than are the rush hour trains. At no time could the condition of any of the scheduled trains be termed "filthy."

Insofar as fares are concerned, they would appear to be just and reasonable when consideration is given to the cost of service performed. The New Haven is faced with the economic problem of rising costs of operation, as is any other business. It must be realized that all passenger traffic, be it on a local, county, state or national scope, is subsidized in some part by the revenues produced from the freight-traffic transported by each particular carrier. Commuters are actually being transported from point of origin to point of destination at "bargain" fares. Were they to pay their fair share of the out-of-pocket cost incurred by the service being performed, the fares would be much higher. If commuters want first-class equipment, and the services and comforts derived therefrom, they must be willing to pay for it.

Needham is a growing community. It is being faced with an attenuated passenger transportation problem. It must not only find ways and means of obtaining sufficient transportation facilities to satisfy its own residents, but it must also be cognizant of its attendant obligation to the problems of the industries located in its midst. Perhaps it would be well to have joint consideration given to this problem by the transportation and planning committees.

The transportation committee would recommend that special consideration be given to the reports and recommendations which have been or may be issued by —

1. A Special Commission on Local Transit Companies,
2. The Governor's Committee on Regional Transportation, and
3. The Boston College Advisory Committee on Transportation, or
4. Any other duly appointed Commission or Committee, each of which could materially concern the Town of Needham. This is particularly true with respect to the Metropolitan Transit Authority (MTA), the payments of the losses applicable thereto, and any such remedial legislation as may be submitted to the Legislature for its consideration.

The transportation committee would further recommend that the Town of Needham develop a sound transportation policy which would provide for fair and impartial regulation of all modes of transportation subject to its jurisdiction, to promote safe, adequate, economical, and efficient service, to foster sound economic conditions in transportation, and to encourage the establishment and maintenance of reasonable charges for transportation services, without unjust discriminations, undue preferences or advantages, or unfair or destructive competitive practices; all to the end of developing, coordinating and preserving a transportation system adequate to meet the needs of the residents and the commerce of the Town of Needham.

Respectfully submitted,

Russell B. Curnett,

Secretary, Transportation Committee

REPORT OF TOWN-OWNED LAND COMMITTEE

January 18, 1957

Town of Needham
Board of Selectmen
Needham, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Committee as originally constituted was charged with the task of investigating the possibility of benefit to the town from the sale of town-owned land. The report of the Committee to the 1955 Annual Town Meeting contained results of our survey, which was a recommendation that all lands owned at that time by the town be held for future town use.

The Committee has been continued from year to year and has functioned as an advisory group to the Selectmen in those cases which have arisen in which a decision on the sale of individual pieces of town property was required. The individual committee members are ready and willing to continue to serve the Selectmen on this basis; however, we feel that the necessity for an over-all survey will not re-occur for at least two years.

Your very truly,

Meyer P. White, *Chairman*
Town-Owned Land Committee

**SUMMARY OF REPORT ON REFUSE COLLECTION
AND JOINT DISPOSAL
FOR THE TOWNS OF NEEDHAM AND WELLESLEY**

1. Authorization

The adjourned Annual Town Meeting held March 21, 1956, voted under Article 34 to continue the Rubbish Collection Committee to the 1957 Annual Town Meeting to study further the question of a joint incinerator with Wellesley. This Committee had been established by vote of the Special Town Meeting of June 15, 1953, and has been continued from that date by successive Town Meetings. On the basis of the report submitted by the Committee's consultants, Weston & Morgenroth, Inc. and Rolf Eliassen Associates, Inc., which showed the tremendous financial advantage in two towns cooperating in a joint incinerator venture, the Committee continued its investigation of the refuse collection and disposal problems for Needham. This included discussions with the Town of Wellesley of a possible agreement relative to the financing, location, construction and operation of an incinerator to serve the needs of both Needham and Wellesley and to prepare preliminary plans and cost estimates for this incinerator. The Committee was also authorized to prepare and present for the consideration of the Town of Needham specifications and by-laws relating to the collection of all types of refuse.

2. Need for Incinerator

The present dump, started in 1950, has a very limited area left which will be exhausted within a few years. The Committee, through its consultants, has explored all possible means of refuse disposal including sanitary landfill, composting, refuse grinding and incineration. Sanitary landfill operated in accordance with established public health standards and conducted by Needham alone would cost as much to operate as the share which Needham would pay in a joint incinerator project with Wellesley. But sanitary landfill is only a short-range answer to the disposal problem.

because adequate sub-marginal land would be exhausted within a relatively short period. As solid wastes cannot be disposed of economically outside the boundary line of a community, the method of disposal selected should satisfy the future long-range needs at least 100 years hence. An incinerator is the only and the inevitable solution, fulfilling the requirements of such economical long-range planning.

Fortunately for Needham, an adjoining town is faced with the same problems of refuse disposal. The Town of Wellesley has already come to the conclusion that an incinerator is the only solution to its problem and has already appropriated money for the construction of an incinerator serving Wellesley. It has recognized the substantial savings which would accrue from a joint incinerator. Wellesley has delayed construction of its own incinerator and has expressed its desire to join with the Town of Needham in constructing and operating an incinerator to serve both towns.

Such a joint venture would save the Town of Needham an estimated minimum of \$20,000 per year or \$500,000 in the normal 25-year life of the mechanical equipment in an incinerator.

3. *Selection of Incinerator Site*

The Joint Committees of Needham and Wellesley instructed the consultants to examine incinerator sites, make a final recommendation to the Joint Committees and then prepare a preliminary layout and estimate of the cost of construction and operation of an incinerator to handle the garbage and combustible refuse from both towns. Twenty-four sites in Wellesley and seven in Needham were investigated by the consulting engineers. Considering that an incinerator is an industrial element and should be part of or adjacent to an industrial area and considering further on topography, general location, accessibility, economics of construction and proximity of ultimate disposal area, a site in the Newton Waterlands opposite Second Street and the Needham Industrial Center was selected.

4. *The Incinerator*

The design of the incinerator and auxiliary equipment has been predicated on the desire to reduce all refuse to the minimum possible volume including tree trunks, food containers and cartons. This will lead to a maximum life of dumping areas. The most modern and efficient types of incinerator have been considered and provision has been made for competitive bidding to arrive at the minimum cost. Two units of 100 tons per 24 hours capacity will be provided immediately and provision will be made for expansion as needed.

The Committee's report also covers the over-all construction costs, the proposed methods of financing and a draft of an agreement for the two towns to establish a sanitary district to build and operate the incinerator and dispose of the ashes and other refuse. Enabling legislation is needed to establish the sanitary district.

5. *Refuse Collection*

The previous report by the Committee showed that the collection of garbage and rubbish in Needham could be accomplished most economically by contract. A separate study and report on this phase of the problem includes the final "By-Law Regulating the Handling, Storage, Collection and Disposal of Refuse in the Town of Needham." Specifications are included to cover the collection of refuse by contractors' forces and to serve as the basis for receiving bids from reliable refuse collection contractors. The "By-Law" as well as the "Specifications" were formulated after having been discussed with the Board of Health, the Department of Public Works and other officials of the Town.

It is proposed that the town-wide collection of refuse should start not later than two months before operation of the incinerator begins. The purpose of this will be to get the collection properly organized before starting the operation of the incinerator.

6. Conclusion

Based upon these studies, the Rubbish Collection Committee has concluded that the most economical long-range solution to the over-all problem is the construction and operation of a joint incinerator with Wellesley.

Because of the time limit of present dumping facilities and the excessive costs of an incinerator for Needham alone, it becomes obviously necessary and opportune for the Town to take immediate action on the long-range solution, by joining with Wellesley immediately. Therefore, the Rubbish Collection Committee recommends that the Town adopt the plan of action contained in the Committee's Articles.

William H. Ganick, *Chairman*
Constantine J. D'Amato
Harold C. Donovan
Frederick Glover
Paul Keating

REPORT OF SATURDAY TOWN MEETINGS

January 7, 1957

Mr. Everett C. Cross, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Town Hall
Needham, Massachusetts

Dear Everett:

The committee appointed under Article 82 of the 1956 Town Meeting to consider and report upon the proposal for Saturday Town Meetings, of which I am Chairman, has decided to make no report at this time but rather to request continuance of the committee so that we may complete the task which has been assigned to us. It is our expectation within the next month to address an inquiry to all Town Meeting members setting forth the background information which we have secured and soliciting opinions as to the desirability of such a change from the individual Town Meeting members.

Sincerely,
Albert E. Hunter, *Chairman*

REPORT OF BUILDING BY-LAW STUDY COMMITTEE

January 7, 1957
Needham, Mass.

Board of Selectmen
Town of Needham
Needham, Mass.

Dear Sirs and Madam:

Subject: Building By-Law Study Committee

Progress since last report has consisted only in correlation of accumulated material in the form of comment, criticism and correction. It is hoped that a final corrected draft of the proposed by-law can be prepared during February.

Very truly yours,
H. M. Johnson, *Chairman*

REPORT OF FUTURE SCHOOL NEEDS COMMITTEE

The Future School Needs Committee, established by vote under Article 77 of the 1951 Town Meeting, was continued by vote of the 1956 Annual Town Meeting for the purpose of further study of school facilities and to report to the Town on the same.

The committee has continued its work of obtaining options on land for future school sites, and has continued its studies of school population growth for the purpose of recommending the proper time for the establishment of new facilities. On the basis of these projections, it is apparent that the elementary school facilities will be overloaded by approximately 200 pupils in September of 1961.

In line with this the committee has an article in the 1957 Town Warrant to establish a committee for the purpose of making recommendations and obtaining preliminary plans for the expansion of the Town's elementary school facilities.

REPORT OF PUBLIC WORKS GARAGE COMMITTEE

A committee was originally appointed by the Town Selectmen upon authority vested in them under Article 36 of the Annual Town Meeting of 1955 to study the needs of the Public Works Department for housing equipment and related matters. Subsequent to the Committee's Report, and upon the merits thereof, the Town Moderator was instructed under Article 32 of the Annual Town Meeting of 1956 to appoint a committee authorized to engage professional counsel to help prepare comprehensive plans and detailed cost estimates for providing adequate facilities at the Norris Farm for housing and repairing the equipment of the Public Works Department, and in addition, to prepare plans and estimates for at least one alternative location, and for which purpose the total sum of \$1,000. was appropriated.

It was ascertained by the original committee that an immediate unquestionable need exists for more adequate garage space, a first-class repair shop, and greater storage area including proper safeguards against theft and pilferage. Your committee is in full accord with this conclusion. Furthermore, in the interest of safety and economy, we believe that the Public Works Department garage at Eaton Square should be razed. It is the opinion of this committee that the building is a fire hazard and that the land could be used more profitably for other purposes.

We have examined sites for the proposed buildings; the triangular shaped lot at Needham Junction bordered on each side by the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad tracks off Chestnut Street, The Walker-Gordon Farm area, the land off Central Avenue at the site of the old dump, and the Norris Farm area, and we have studied the accessibility for servicing the Town with the functions performed by the Department. From this information, thorough discussions with the department heads, and economical considerations, we have decided that two of the locations mentioned above are best suited for the Public Works Department purpose — the Norris Farm area and the Central Avenue site.

The engineers' report and plans for the proposed buildings, which form a part of this report, are attached hereto and are on file at the Public Library. They have been prepared by the firm of Alonzo B. Reed, Incorporated, architects and engineers experienced and qualified for this type of work.

Norris Farm Area: The plans for the Norris Farm area call for two single story garage units running parallel to each other in a Northeasterly direction with ends facing Dedham Avenue. These units will be located

between the steel garage presently used by the Department and Dedham Avenue in such a way as to preserve the double row of trees which now line the driveway.

The proposed new buildings will house all of the Department's 63 major pieces of equipment and 46 smaller pieces as well as providing proper allowances for access lanes, maneuver areas, and limited additional space for future equipment acquisitions. The conversion of the existing steel frame building with corrugated siding will provide a first-class repair shop and ample storage space for supplies, small tools, and equipment parts under protective custody. Conversion plans for the steel building and the estimated cost thereof includes a bisecting partition to isolate the work area from the storage area, a hung ceiling for heat conservation, and a twin-post truck lift. A locker room and a small office space are also provided for in the plans.

The buildings are so planned that unit No. 1, designed to accommodate often-used vehicles such as passenger cars and light and medium trucks, is an unheated shed type of enclosure. Equipment less frequently used such as snow removers and other specialized pieces will be housed in unit No. 2 which is a completely enclosed building heated to a moderate temperature. Work areas will be heated so that during periods of inclement weather they will be used for productive work.

The buildings will be of concrete block construction and steel roof framing to minimize maintenance costs and to provide for longer life. A special architectural treatment will be given the ends facing the street to enhance the physical appearance. Room for expansion is provided between the extreme ends of both units and the steel garage.

A chain link fence will enclose the entire area approximating 5 acres thereby offering another safeguard against pilferage of material located at open storage areas.

Construction of the two garages and remodeling of the existing structure at Norris Farm will cost approximately \$286,000.00.

Central Avenue Site: Basically the plans for construction of two garage units at the Central Avenue site are the same as for the Norris Farm area with two exceptions. The shape of the lot at Central Avenue suggests a semi-circle arrangement of stalls, not unlike a motel in appearance, with the repair shop and storage area in the middle of the perimeter line as illustrated in the engineer's plans. Secondly, the maintenance and storage building presupposes either a new building for this purpose or the moving of the existing buildings from Norris Farm. If a new building of equivalent size is constructed it will add approximately \$100,000.00 to the cost quoted above for the Dedham Avenue site. The use of the existing steel building in its present location simultaneously with garage space at another location is not considered a sound economical operation. Professional counsel estimates that as much as one-third of the materials in the structure may be lost in dismantling and re-erecting the steel building at another location, and this operation alone would cost approximately \$50,000.00. Consequently, if the Central Avenue site were chosen with the construction of a new maintenance building, total construction cost would be about \$386,000.00; if the same site were chosen with relocation of the existing maintenance building from Norris Farm, the total cost would be approximately \$336,000.00.

Public Works Department Office: During our discussions with the engineers relating to the garages, it was pointed out that 3,000 square feet of office space could be provided in the form of a second floor area spanning the two garage units at the Norris Farm installation. If the Public Works and Engineering Departments were to transfer their offices to this space, it might provide a solution to the present congestion at the Town Hall.

This would add approximately \$90,000.00 to the cost of construction if it were built at the same time as construction of the garage units, thus such a proposal in conjunction with the garages at Norris Farm would total about \$376,000.00.

If equivalent office space were to be provided at the Central Avenue site, it would have to be a separate building on the ground floor and would cost about \$110,000.00, but could be constructed at any time in the future irrespective of when the garage units were built. Construction of office space at Norris Farm will result in a saving of \$20,000.00 by eliminating the need for foundations, grading, drainage fill, perimeter insulation, landscaping, and by combining heating plants

Conclusion: Your committee urges in all sincerity that proper garage facilities at one or the other of the suggested locations be provided by the Town for its Public Works Department. Such a building is an important and necessary requirement that has been recommended by previous committees and its erection should not be delayed.

We believe that the proposed construction can be affected most economically at the Norris Farm area although some opposition to this site has been registered by other functional committees. Should this location be chosen, we suggest that consideration be given to the construction of departmental office space concurrent with the garage units as previously outlined. If the Central Avenue site is decided upon, the economies of concurrent office space construction are not as decisively apparent, hence, departmental office consideration may be delayed without the element of immediate cost savings.

T. N. Graser, *Chairman*
 Claude R. LaPlante, *Secretary*
 Frederick A. Whetton
 William M. Austin
 Robert L. Woodbury

REPORT OF THE NEWTON WATER LANDS COMMITTEE

Established under Article 50, Annual Town Meeting March 26, 1956

This committee was initially established under Article 14, Special Town Meeting November 14, 1955, to be continued until 1957 Town Meeting and authorized and instructed to negotiate with the City of Newton, The Metropolitan District Commission, and individuals interested in the development of said area which will provide a sound basis for future action by the Town and submit a report with its recommendations as to what action will best serve the interests of the Town.

The services of John T. Blackwell, a professional planner were engaged to assist us in determining the best uses of this land and the economic feasibility of future industrial development. The committee had correspondence and many discussions with Mr. Greenough, Chairman of the M.D.C., who stated the willingness of the Commission to cooperate with the committees in the Town's needs if by Legislative action permission is granted to expand their Metropolitan Park Reservation in this area. Mr. Elliott Henderson, the highest bidder with option rights, who wishes to develop this land if the Town rezones certain areas, expressed by letter similar cooperation. The committee is grateful for their cooperation.

The committee has made every effort to obtain all possible data from previous geological studies and engineering reports on the soil structure. The committee in cooperation with Mr. Henderson had borings made by the Raymond Concrete Pile Company at key locations. These borings were

not decidedly favorable or unfavorable for future industrial development. The committee has reviewed many possible alternatives for the development of these 600 acres of water lands in Needham. The tremendous growth of population in and surrounding the Town in the last five to ten years has used up available land to the point where it is mandatory for the Town to consider its future public land needs now before it is pre-empted or developed for other purposes. This places a high priority on the Newton Water Lands because of the size, location, availability and importance of them to Needham.

The committee considered the need for additional land for river bank and open land reservations as an appropriate use of the whole or part of the water lands. Specific sites for incineration of town refuse and disposal of non-combustible materials were suggested to the committee. Areas suitable for industrial development were thoroughly reviewed. Certain areas because of location and physical character were deemed undeveloped or suitable only for flood control or river development purposes.

All of these various uses are meritorious and the committee has considered how they could be incorporated into a logical plan for both immediate purposes or for reservation for future and long-range needs.

The results of the extensive deliberations and studies by the committee are contained in the following summary which accompanies the consultant's report with a master plan and alternatives for the use of the Water Lands area.

The committee believes that the Town Meeting Members at the 1957 Annual Town Meeting should consider this summary, the master plan and alternatives as a basis for taking initial steps to establish a Town Land Use policy for the area before specific decisions are made on zoning, land acquisitions and related matters.

Summary

The Newton Water Lands Special Study Committee invites the March 1957 Needham Town Meeting to express by one or more votes the opinion of the Meeting as to the recommendations more fully set forth in the December 1956 full study report to the Committee and diagrammed in Figure 4 of said report, which are summarized as follows:

1. That the entire Charles River shorefront in Needham from Highland Avenue to the West Roxbury railroad track be kept open and in some form of public ownership, not to be built upon in any substantial way, and to be accessible in perpetuity to residents of the Town of Needham and others; and that only limited sections of the former Newton Water Works land in Needham be considered for industrial development: namely, one or more of the specific areas indicated on Figure 4 of the aforesaid report, and that all of the rest of said lands in Needham be brought into the ownership or control of the Town, or of the Metropolitan District Commission or other governmental or duly chartered non-profit private agency acceptable to the Town Meeting;
2. That, if dumping and rubbish disposal be authorized by the Town Meeting anywhere within said water works lands in Needham, such dumping be done in accordance with a site plan for land development of a public river-bank reservation, to be prepared under competent town planning and landscape architecture guidance;
3. That, if an incinerator building site be voted by the Town within said water works lands in Needham, such site be located approximately as designated in the aforesaid full study report, and that the site plan for such incinerator building be related to the master plan for the entire area, and include landscaping and planting measures to harmonize the appearance and use of such building with the public open land and the private industrial land adjoining.

Motions worded to enable the Town Meeting to express opinion on the foregoing land use policy recommendations will be offered to the Town Meeting.

The Newton Water Lands Committee complete detailed report will be mailed to the Town Meeting members prior to Annual Town Meeting.

Everett C. Cross, *Secretary*
 Herbert L. Dodge
 Charles E. Downe
 Alden Eberly
 Philip F. Foss
 Henry W. Hardy
 Henry D. Hersey, *Chairman*
 Marian F. Keith
 Harold Putnam
 Edward J. Stewart
 Edwin M. Wainwright
 Clarke H. Wertheim

REPORT OF TOWN MANAGER-EXECUTIVE SECRETARY COMMITTEE

*Report of the Special Committee Appointed under Article 58
 of the March 1956 Town Meeting*

January 21, 1957

At the 1956 Annual Town Meeting it was voted under Article 58 to establish a committee to study the advisability of having a Town Manager or an Executive Secretary for the Town of Needham. This committee, consisting of five members appointed by the Moderator, held its first meeting on April 18, 1956, and has met approximately once every two weeks since that date. The committee's study included the following: (a) review of the 1951 Town Manager Committee's report; (b) investigation of the administrative organization of the Town and the function of departments under the jurisdiction of the Board of Selectmen; (c) study of the organization of certain other towns; (d) meetings with the Planning Board, representatives of the Personnel Committee and the Finance Committee, and certain other Town officials; and (e) conferences with independent experts.

On the basis of its study, the committee has reached the following conclusions and submits the following recommendations:

1. A Town Manager form of government is not needed in the Town at this time.

2. An Executive Secretary would greatly improve the efficiency of Town government by relieving the administrative workload of the Board of Selectmen and by coordinating functions of Town departments under the Board. The establishment of this position is recommended.

A detailed report of the committee follows, setting forth the basis for the above conclusions and recommendations.
Growth of the Town

Throughout the entire study, the committee was cognizant of the fact that Needham has been most fortunate in having able and conscientious Town officials and an active and interested citizenry. As a result, Needham enjoys honest and good government. However, the Town has grown from a community of 12,445 people with an annual budget of \$825,000 in 1940 to a population of 21,560 and a budget of \$4,900,000 in 1956. This represents an increase of 60% in population and 180% in fiscal operation. The reason this committee was established was to determine whether the present Town government should be changed in view of this rapid growth.

Town Manager

The committee considered whether Needham should change to a town manager form of government. This would require the enactment by the state legislature of a special charter for Needham. Under such a charter the Board of Selectmen would appoint a Town Manager, who would have strong executive powers and broad authority over the administration of the Town. A Town Manager usually has the power to appoint and remove all Town officials except the Board of Selectmen, School Committee, Moderator, Town meeting members and certain other excepted offices. The committee concluded that such a drastic change was not warranted or needed in Needham at this time. However, in order to give the Town meeting an opportunity to consider a Town Manager, Article 16 has been included in the Warrant. The committee recommends that this Article be dismissed.

Need for Administrator

Despite the rapid growth of the Town, we are still attempting to operate without a full-time administrator in Town Hall. As a result, the administrative work load of the Board of Selectmen has become excessive. Even with this workload the Board is doing an excellent job, but this is only possible because the Selectmen devote an unreasonable amount of time to Town affairs. This situation must be remedied so the Town can continue to attract capable residents to serve as Selectmen.

The committee considers it essential that the Board of Selectmen be relieved of routine administrative work and be assisted by a trained administrator capable of: (a) investigating and making recommendations to the Board, (b) acting for the Board in coordinating the administrative work of Town departments, (c) making special studies and reports for the Board, and (d) handling questions and complaints of residents and expediting action on such matters.

In short, if the Board can delegate its routine duties and can have capable assistance on its other work, the Board will then be able to perform more effectively its important executive and policy making functions in Town government.

Executive Secretary

1. *Executive Secretary under Section 23A.* Under Section 23A of Chapter 41 of the General Laws of Massachusetts the Town meeting could authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint an Executive Secretary with such duties as the Board might assign. Under this statute the Town meeting, however, could not specify the duties of the position. The committee decided that such a position would not be a satisfactory permanent solution because they believe the Town meeting and not the Board of Selectmen should have the power to designate the principal duties of an Executive Secretary.

2. *Executive Secretary under Special Legislation.* The committee recommends that a special Act be obtained from the legislature authorizing the Needham Town meeting to adopt by-laws which will: (a) establish the position of Executive Secretary, and (b) define the duties of the position, including the duties listed in Exhibit A. Town meeting members could thus be given control of the position and could, as conditions change, enlarge the scope and authority of the position by amending the by-laws.

Accordingly, the committee urges favorable action on Article 16 of the Warrant so that the necessary special legislation can be obtained.

3. *Temporary Solution.* The committee, however, believes that the Board of Selectmen has an immediate need for administrative assistance. It will take approximately one year to establish the position of Executive Secretary under special legislation as outlined in section 2 above. Therefore, as a temporary solution the committee recommends that the 1957 Town meeting vote under Article 16 of the Warrant to establish the position of Executive Secretary to the Board of Selectmen pursuant to Section 23A of Chapter 41. Further, the committee recommends that the Town meeting

adopt a resolution under Article 16 of the Warrant stating the desire of the Town meeting that the Board of Selectmen assign the duties specified in Exhibit A to this temporary position of Executive Secretary. After enactment of the special legislation, the Town by-laws would be amended to establish the permanent position of Executive Secretary, with the same duties as listed in Exhibit A and such other duties as the Town meeting may from time to time determine.

Filling of the Position

The committee recommends that a person with professional training and experience in the field of public administration be employed to fill both the temporary position and the permanent position of Executive Secretary. It would seem preferable to appoint a non-Needham resident to this position. The committee recommends that a salary for the Executive Secretary be established in the \$7,000 to \$10,000 range.

Purchasing

The committee also considered whether the Town should designate the Executive Secretary as the purchasing agent for the Town by accepting Section 103 of Chapter 41 of the General Laws. However, on the basis of available information the committee could not determine whether centralized purchasing for the Town would result in sufficient savings to warrant the change. The committee suggests that this might be an appropriate subject for a study by the Executive Secretary who could then report his conclusions to the Board of Selectmen.

Centralization of Town Hall and Fiscal Functions

The committee investigated the possibility of centralizing all of the Town Hall functions and fiscal functions under the Board of Selectmen.

This would involve changing the offices of Town Clerk, Town Treasurer and Tax Collector and the Board of Assessors from elected offices to offices filled by appointment by the Board of Selectmen. Such a change would require special legislation. The committee concluded, however, that at the present time the functions of these offices would not be improved by such a change.

EXHIBIT A

Recommended Duties of the Executive Secretary

- A. As assistant to the Board of Selectmen:
 1. Prepare the agenda for meetings of the Board and carry out decisions of the Board.
 2. Investigate and make recommendations on questions coming before the Board for decision.
 3. Prepare reports as required by the Board.
 4. Initiate special studies with the approval of the Board.
 5. Review and make recommendations on departmental budgets and Capital Outlay budgets.
 6. Handle correspondence on behalf of the Board.
 7. Represent the Board at their request at public hearings and at other functions.
 8. Serve at the discretion of the Board as ex-officio member of such committees as are appointed in whole or in part by the Board.
 9. Assist in the preparation of the Town Report in conjunction with the Town Report committee.
- B. Act for the Board of Selectmen between meetings in accordance with established policies.
- C. Supervise the entire insurance program and act as Workmen's Compensation agent for the Town.
- D. Act as personnel director for the departments under the jurisdiction of the Board of Selectmen.
- E. Act as administrative officer for the Board of Selectmen with respect to all departments under its jurisdiction.

- F. Assist other departments, boards and committees upon request, subject to the approval of the Board of Selectmen.
- G. Act as public relations officer for the Town — receiving complaints, answering questions, etc.
- H. Act as purchasing agent for the departments under the Board of Selectmen. Investigate the desirability of centralized purchasing for the entire town, and act as purchasing agent if Section 103 of Chapter 41 of the General Laws of Massachusetts is accepted by the Town.
- I. Perform such other duties as the Board of Selectmen may assign from time to time.

Recommended Qualifications for the Position

The Executive Secretary should be a graduate of a 4-year college course with at least 2 years of academic training in public or municipal administration and approximately 5 years experience in the same.

Daniel E. Baker, Jr., *Chairman*
 Barbara W. Fay, *Secretary*
 Charles D. Bell
 Everett C. Cross
 Rodney Harris, Jr.

REPORT OF PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Report in compliance with the resolution adopted by the Town at the Annual Town Meeting held March 26, 1956.

The following is submitted as an explanation of all Public Works Articles in the 1957 Warrant which are not considered self explanatory:

Re — Article 24 — \$11,000. to be raised — Chapter 90 Construction to be used to complete Kendrick Street to new proposed location of bridge approach.

Re — Article 25 — \$1500. to be raised — Chapter 90 Maintenance to be used to resurface a portion of Dedham Avenue with bituminous concrete surface.

Re — Article 26 — \$10,000. — The School Department has recommended that the following walks be constructed.

Central Avenue - Booth Street to Crane Street, South side, 2000 feet.

Central Avenue - West Street to Nehoiden Street, East side, 2700 feet.

Central Avenue - Gay Street to Great Plain Avenue, East side, 1000 feet.

Greendale Avenue - Sidewalk West side of bridge from Broad Meadow Road to Grosvenor Road, West side, 1300 feet.

Hunnewell Street - Lestor Street to Central Avenue, West side, 1000 feet.

South Street - Lawton Road to Old Farm Road, North side, 1000 feet.

Highland Avenue - Hunting Road to Webster Street, South side, 1300 feet.

This money is requested for the necessary work to prepare gravel top walks, exclusive of assessable permanent surfacing, by excavating and filling for foundation, sloping and loaming embankment and including some retaining wall construction.

Re — Article 27 — \$6,000 — To apply permanent surfacing on walks as recommended by the School Department under Article 26 and at other locations which have been petitioned for by abutters. All such applications being assessed on basis of 50% cost to the abutters.

Re — Article 28 — \$42,000. Specific Repairs — monies will be used for new bituminous concrete surfacing of Highland Avenue from Great Plain Avenue to May Street; Highland Avenue from Mellen Street to Mark

Lee Road; a portion of Chestnut Street from Great Plain Avenue to School Street; the esimated cost of this work is \$12,000. The reconstruction of High Rock Street from Marked Tree Road to Chestnut Street; a portion of Linden Street near Rosemary Brook, approximately 500 feet; a portion of Marked Tree Road at the intersection of Central Avenue, approximately 300 feet; improvement of the intersection of Central Avenue, approximately 300 feet; improvement of the intersection at Pine Street and Central Avenue; traffic island at the Highland Avenue, Great Plain Avenue and Dedham Avenue intersection. The estimated cost of these projects is \$30,000.00.

Re — Article 32 — Requires an appropriation of \$42,500. for proposed drain construction during 1957 to be expended substantially as follows:

South Street Culvert	\$ 1,000.00
Wayne Road	2,000.00
Portions of Woodledge Road, Rosemary Street, Highland Avenue	4,200.00
New Junior High School	6,000.00
Proposed in petitioned streets:	
Brookline Street	7,520.00
Lexington Avenue	1,000.00
Bancroft Street	1,980.00
Crawford Street	3,000.00
Hampton Avenue	5,500.00
Beech Street	5,800.00
Holmes Street	4,500.00
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	\$42,500.00

Re — Article 33 — Requires an appropriation of \$122,600. for proposed Sewer Main Construction and to provide increased pumping facilities at the North Needham Station to be expended substantially as follows:

Newell Avenue	
Prospect Street	
Nehoiden Street	\$ 25,000.00
Cimino Road	
Concord Street	
Lexington Avenue	
Richdale Road	27,300.00
Greendale Avenue and Brookline Street	32,700.00
Bancroft Street	6,700.00
Gage Street	6,750.00
Grosvenor Road	4,250.00
Tudor Road	4,900.00
Thorpe Road	2,500.00
Washington Avenue	5,000.00
N. H. Sewer	
Pumping Station	7,500.00
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	\$122,600.00

Re — Article 34 — Requires an appropriation of \$100,000. for Water Main Laying and Relaying; to replace about 10,000 linear feet of 6" water main in Central Avenue, between Marked Tree Road and West Street. and to replace the 6" and 8" main in a portion of West Street between Central Avenue and Webster Street with a 12" water main as recommended in the Metcalf and Eddy report of 1954 for improving the water distribution system.

Re — Article 35 — \$6,000. — Birds Hill Station parking area. To construct a 4' chain link fence to limit access along Great Plain Avenue; to

seal coat the existing penetrated gravel surface and apply 1½" bituminous concrete pavement; to lay out and paint the original pavement markings.

Re — Article 36 — \$20,000. — Is for a similar amount as appropriated at the special town meeting of May 4, 1954. The previous appropriation of \$20,000. has already been encumbered under contract for providing a proper outfall from Central Avenue under the aqueduct and through lands of WBZ and others to the Wellesley Town Line. The additional appropriation of \$20,000. requested this year is to continue in Hurd Brook from this aqueduct; construct a new culvert under Central Avenue and extend the pipe 100 feet beyond Elder road; deepen and widen the brook to the existing end of pipe off Webster Street; construct a new culvert under Webster Street and extend the pipe about 150 feet westerly therefrom.

Re — Article 37 — Represents a standard form of action which must be submitted to the State Department; the Town protects its liability by obtaining signed releases from all abutters.

Re — Article 38 — \$28,500. — Under the Highway Program of the National Government and the State of Massachusetts, grants have been made to the Towns and Cities to help finance construction and improvements of highways for the next three years. It is proposed, under this Article, to finance the widening of Highland Avenue, on the Easterly side between May Street and Rosemary Street, entirely from these funds. Land grants for the widening have been approved by all abutters involved.

Re — Article 58 — This is to purchase land for sanitary fill purposes, the purchase price of which is \$3500.00. The land is immediately adjacent to our present dump at the face of the existing fill. It is also adjacent to low swamp land purchased last year by the Town for School purposes. The land, after fill, could be used by the Town for future school or recreation play areas.

Respectfully submitted,
 Everett C. Cross, *Chairman*
 Philip F. Foss
 Edward J. Stewart
 Marian F. Keith
 Clarke H. Wertheim
Board of Selectmen

FINAL REPORT OF THE HIGH ROCK SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

At the Annual Town Meeting, March 20, 1950, action under Article 60 established a committee to effect the building of an elementary school subsequently known as the "High Rock School".

This committee consisted of

Mrs. Louis E. Fletcher, *Secretary*
 Clayton L. Holden
 Guy S. Langstroth
 Derwood A. Newman
 Philip D. Rising
 Richard W. Stewart
 James K. Sanborn
 Harold C. Wilkinson
 Irving H. Cowdrey, *Chairman*

Later town meetings added to the duties of this committee by instructing them to equip a playground and erect an addition to the school originally planned and built.

TOWN OF NEEDHAM

At that time the resignation of Mr. Stewart led to the appointment of Robert J. Granberg as replacement.

The various duties having been completed and the School with its addition accepted by the School Department, this committee now submits its final report.

Mr. James K. Sanborn has acted as accountant for the committee and has prepared a financial summary which is being submitted as a part of this report.

As a matter of record and for future reference the accommodations of the school are detailed below.

Class Rooms

Kindergarten	1			
Grades 1 to 6	6	(original)	8	(addition) Total 14
All purpose *	1			
Auditorium-Gymnasium ..	1			
Cafeteria	1			

General Administration

Principal's Room	1			
Teachers' Rooms	1	(original)	1	(addition) Total 2
Health Room	1			

* This room is used for special and remedial work and as space for a school circulating library.

Both original buildings and addition are furnished with unusually ample closet and storage spaces.

Upon acceptance a copy of this report will be filed in the proper department of the Needham Public Library.

January 7, 1957

For the Committee,
Irving H. Cowdrey, *Chairman*

The amounts appropriated by the Town of Needham for preliminary work and for construction and equipment were: \$460,000 for the original school, \$10,500 for the playground and \$243,300 for an addition to the original school, a total of \$703,300. Of this total, \$47,739.45 was raised from the current tax levy, \$70,560.55 was transferred from surplus funds and \$585,000 was authorized to be raised by the sale of bonds. \$375,000 of 1.70% bonds were issued June 1, 1951, due in 1971, \$190,000 of 2% bonds were issued December 1, 1953, due in 1972, and \$20,000 remain unissued.

Of the total amount appropriated, \$642,149.32 was expended on the three projects, \$36,383.85 was transferred (\$11,383.85 from appropriations for the original school to those for the addition and playground, and \$25,000 for the construction and equipment of an addition to the Harris School) and \$24,766.83 remains unexpended. The details of these appropriations are set forth in the summary which follows:

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Original School:									
March 20, 1950:									
Art. 59 - Purchase of Pinkham land				\$ 8,700.00	\$	8,700.00	\$	8,700.00	
Art. 60 - Preliminary plan, etc.				3,500.00		3,500.00		3,500.00	
October 23, 1950:									
Art. 9 - Final plans, specifications, etc.				13,000.00		13,000.00		12,116.15	\$ 883.85a
Art. 10 - Purchase of Ferrara land				1,800.00		1,800.00		1,800.00	
January 23, 1951:									
Art. 1 - Construction and equipment of school		6/1/'51	20 yrs.	\$375,000.00	\$46,376.70	11,623.30	433,000.00	422,500.00	10,500.00b
Playground:									
March 16, 1953:									
Art. 59 - Construction and equipment of playground				10,500.00b			10,500.00	10,273.12	\$ 226.88
Addition to Original School:									
March 23, 1953:									
Art. 71 - Working drawings and specifications				883.85a	9,116.15		10,000.00	6,762.52	3,237.48

Date	Bonds Authorized Term	Amount	Appropriations		Tax Levy	Total	Expended	Trans- ferred	Un- expended
			Surplus Funds						
June 15, 1953:									
Art. 6 - Construction									
and equipment of									
addition									
	12/1/'53	19 yrs.	190,000.00	12,800.00		222,800.00	176,497.53	25,000.00c	21,302.47
	(Unissued bonds)		20,000.00						
			\$585,000.00	\$70,560.55	\$47,739.45	\$703,300.00	\$642,149.32	\$36,383.85	\$24,766.83

Notes:

- a — Transferred to appropriation under Article 71, March 23, 1953.
- b — Transferred to appropriation under Article 59, March 16, 1953.
- c — Transferred to appropriation for construction and equipment of addition to the Harris School.

Land		\$	10,500.00
Building construction and ground improvements:			
General contracts		\$537,229.26	
Other costs		7,598.05	
School equipment			
Playground construction and equipment			
Architect fees			
Clerk of the works			
Drainage and other costs, off site			
Test borings, concrete tests and engineering costs			
Financing costs			
Other costs			
Total cost			
Less:			
State construction grant under Chapter 645, Acts of 1948, as amended:			
Original school			
Addition to original school (including playground)			
Net cost (exclusive of bond interest)			

